

NOVAGOLD RESOURCES INC  
Form SC 13D/A  
December 31, 2012

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

[Rule 13d-101]

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO § 24.13d-1(a) AND  
AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO § 240.13D-2(a)

(Amendment No. 7)\*

NovaGold Resources Inc.

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Shares

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(Title of Class of Securities)

66987E206

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(CUSIP Number)

Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.  
535 Madison Avenue, 11th Floor  
New York, NY 10022  
(646) 365-1600

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

December 28, 2012

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(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§ 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box " .

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The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE  
PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)  x

(b)  o

3 SEC USE ONLY:

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

OO

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e) ..

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

Delaware

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

7 SOLE VOTING POWER:

0

8 SHARED VOTING POWER:

79,569,479 Common Shares

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:

0

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

79,569,479 Common Shares

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

79,569,479 Common Shares

12 ..

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):

25.6%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE  
PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

The Electrum Group LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A (a) x  
MEMBER OF A GROUP (b) o

3 SEC USE ONLY:

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

Delaware

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER:
		0
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER:
		79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:
		0
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:
		79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

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79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

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25.6%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE  
PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Electrum Global Holdings L.P.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)  x

(b)  o

3 SEC USE ONLY:

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

Cayman Islands

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

7 SOLE VOTING POWER:

0

8 SHARED VOTING POWER:

79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:

0

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

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79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

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IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

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25.6%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE  
PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

TEG Global GP Ltd.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)  x

(b)  o

3 SEC USE ONLY:

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

Cayman Islands

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

7 SOLE VOTING POWER:

0

8 SHARED VOTING POWER:

79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:

0

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

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79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

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IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):

25.6%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE  
PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Leopard Holdings LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)  x

(b)  o

3 SEC USE ONLY:

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

Delaware

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

7 SOLE VOTING POWER:

0

8 SHARED VOTING POWER:

79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:

0

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):

25.6%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE  
PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

GRAT Holdings LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)  x

(b)  o

3 SEC USE ONLY:

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

Delaware

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

7 SOLE VOTING POWER:

5,000,000

8 SHARED VOTING POWER:

79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:

5,000,000

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

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84,569,479 Common Shares, comprised of 5,000,000 shares held by GRAT Holdings LLC and 79,569,479 Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P.

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):

27.2%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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This Amendment No. 7 (this “Amendment”) amends the Schedule 13D (as amended, the “Schedule 13D”) filed by Electrum Strategic Resources L.P. (formerly Electrum Strategic Resources LLC) (“Electrum Strategic”) on May 10, 2012, as amended by Amendment No. 1 to the Schedule 13D filed on July 12, 2010, Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13D filed on December 17, 2010, Amendment No. 3 to the Schedule 13D filed on December 5, 2011, in each case by Electrum Strategic; Amendment No. 4 to the Schedule 13D filed on January 9, 2012; Amendment No. 5 to the Schedule 13D filed on February 15, 2012; and Amendment No. 6 to the Schedule 13D filed on March 20, 2012, in each case by Electrum Strategic and The Electrum Group LLC (“TEG Services”), with respect to the common shares of NovaGold Resources Inc. (the “Issuer”). The purpose of this Amendment is to report the exercise by Electrum Strategic of warrants to purchase 31,337,278 common shares of the Issuer and the addition of reporting persons who may be deemed to beneficially own the Issuer’s securities held by Electrum Strategic. All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Schedule 13D.

Item 1. Security and Issuer

Item 1 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated as follows:

This Schedule 13D relates to the common shares (the “Common Shares”) of NovaGold Resources Inc. (the “Issuer”), a company organized and existing under the laws of the province of British Columbia, Canada. The address of the Issuer’s principal executive offices is Suite 2300-200 Granville Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6C 1S4.

Item 2. Identity and Background

Item 2 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated as follows:

(a) This Statement is being filed by Electrum Strategic, a Delaware limited partnership, Electrum Global Holdings L.P., a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership (“Global Holdings”), TEG Global GP Ltd, a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership (“Global GP”), TEG Services, a Delaware limited liability company, Leopard Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“Leopard”), and GRAT Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“GRAT Holdings” and, collectively, the “Reporting Persons”). Schedule A attached hereto sets forth information referred to in Instruction C of Schedule 13D with respect to each Reporting Person.

(b) The principal business address of Leopard and GRAT Holdings is 535 Madison Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, New York 10022.

The principal business address of TEG Services, Electrum Strategic, Global Holdings and Global GP is 535 Madison Avenue, 11th Floor, New York, New York 10022.

(c) The principal business of each of Electrum Strategic, Global Holdings, Leopard and GRAT Holdings is to invest in securities and other assets, directly and indirectly. The principal business of Global GP is to serve as the general partner of Global Holdings. The principal business of TEG Services is to provide investment advisory services to Global Holdings.

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(d) Neither any Reporting Person, nor any person named on Schedule A, has, during the last five years, been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors).

(e) Neither any Reporting Person, nor any person named on Schedule A has, during the last five years, been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and, as a result of such proceeding, was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect thereto.

(f) Not Applicable.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

Item 3 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following:

Electrum Strategic acquired 31,337,278 of the Common Shares described in Item 5 upon the December 31, 2012 exercise of the Issuer's warrants for 31,337,278 Common Shares. The CDN\$46,347,834.16 used to effect the warrant exercise was provided to Electrum Strategic by Global Holdings.

Global Holdings acquired beneficial ownership of the Common Shares described in Item 5 below on December 31, 2012 as a result of the contribution by Leopard and its affiliates of all of the equity of Electrum Strategic, among other assets, to Global Holdings, an entity newly formed by Leopard of which Global GP is the general partner and TEG Services is the investment adviser.

In addition, on December 28, 2012, 5,000,000 Common Shares were distributed by Electrum Strategic to GRAT Holdings, the indirect parent company of Electrum Strategic.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following:

Electrum Strategic acquired 31,337,278 Common Shares on December 31, 2012 upon the exercise of the Issuer's warrants, as described in Item 3 above.

Electrum Strategic acquired the Common Shares described herein, and each other Reporting Person acquired its beneficial interest in the Common Shares, for investment purposes and the Reporting Persons and/or one or more of their respective affiliates may, depending on market and other conditions, increase or decrease their respective beneficial ownership of Common Shares or other securities of the Issuer whether in the open market, by privately negotiated agreement or otherwise.

Other than as set forth in this Item 4, the Reporting Person currently has no plan or proposal that relates to any of the matters described in subparagraphs (a) through (j) of Item 4 to Schedule 13D.



## Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

As of December 31, 2012, the Reporting Persons (and each of them) beneficially own the number of Common Shares set forth below. Percentage ownership is based upon 279,926,600 Common Shares outstanding as reported on the website of the Toronto Stock Exchange as of the date hereof, plus the 31,337,278 Common Shares acquired by Electrum Strategic upon exercise of the warrants described herein.

(a)

## (1) Reporting Persons

Number of shares: 84,569,479

Percentage of shares: 27.2%

## (2) Electrum Strategic

Number of shares: 79,569,479

Percentage of shares: 25.6%

## (3) Global Holdings

Number of shares: 79,569,479

Percentage of shares: 25.6%

## (4) Global GP

Number of shares: 79,569,479

Percentage of shares: 25.6%

## (5) TEG Services

Number of shares: 79,569,479

Percentage of shares: 25.6%

## (6) Leopard

Number of shares: 79,569,479

Percentage of shares: 25.6%

## (7) GRAT Holdings

Number of shares: 84,569,479

Percentage of shares: 27.2%

(b)

(1) Electrum Strategic

Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 0

Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 79,569,479

Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition: 0

Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 79,569,479

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## (2) Global Holdings

Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 0  
 Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 79,569,479  
 Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition: 0  
 Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 79,569,479

## (3) Global GP

Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 0  
 Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 79,569,479  
 Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition: 0  
 Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 79,569,479

## (4) TEG Services

Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 0  
 Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 79,569,479  
 Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition: 0  
 Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 79,569,479

## (5) Leopard

Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 0  
 Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 79,569,479  
 Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition: 0  
 Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 79,569,479

## (6) GRAT Holdings

Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 5,000,000  
 Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 79,569,479  
 Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition: 5,000,000  
 Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 79,569,479

Global GP is the sole general partner of, and TEG Services is the investment adviser to, Global Holdings. TEG Services possesses voting and investment discretion with respect to assets of Global Holdings, including indirect investment discretion with respect to the Common Shares held by Electrum Strategic. The Investment Committee of GRAT Holdings (see Schedule A) exercises voting and investment decisions on behalf of GRAT Holdings, including decisions on behalf of GRAT Holdings with respect to the securities reported herein.

(c) Except as set forth in Item 3, no Reporting Person has effected any transaction in the Common Stock during the past 60 days.

(d) Trusts for the benefit of members of the immediate family of Thomas S. Kaplan have the right to receive and the power to direct the receipt of a portion of the dividends from, and a portion of the proceeds from the sale of,

the securities reported herein. In addition, certain other persons have the right to receive and the power to direct the receipt of a portion of the proceeds of dividends from, and a portion of the proceeds from the sale of, the securities reported herein as being held by Electrum Strategic.

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(e) Not Applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Item 6 is hereby amended and restated as follows:

Electrum Strategic and the Issuer are parties to a Registration Rights Agreement, dated January 22, 2009, pursuant to which Electrum Strategic (and/or its successors and assigns) shall be entitled to make up to three demands that the Issuer register Common Shares in the United States. A copy of the Registration Rights Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 3 and is hereby incorporated by reference.

Electrum Strategic and the Issuer are parties to a Qualification Rights Agreement, dated January 22, 2009, pursuant to which Electrum Strategic (and/or its successors and assigns) shall be entitled to make up to three demands that the Issuer qualify Common Shares for resale by the Reporting Person in Canada. A copy of the Qualification Rights Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 4 and is hereby incorporated by reference.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

1. Joint Filing Agreement
  2. Power of Attorney
  3. Form of Registration Rights Agreement, dated January 22, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to the Schedule 13D filed by Electrum Strategic on February 2, 2009)
  4. Form of Qualification Rights Agreement, dated January 22, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.3 to the Schedule 13D filed by Electrum Strategic on February 2, 2009)
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**SIGNATURES**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of their knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: Dece