

VISTA GOLD CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RICHINGS MICHAEL B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VISTA GOLD CORP., 7961
SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE 5

(Street)

LITTLETON, CO 80127

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VISTA GOLD CORP [VGZ]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/28/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount		
				Code	V		
					Amount		
				(D)	Price		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restrict Stock Units ⁽²⁾	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	07/28/2015	A	64,000					⁽¹⁾	07/28/2018	Common Shares	64,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RICHINGS MICHAEL B C/O VISTA GOLD CORP. 7961 SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE 5 LITTLETON, CO 80127			X	

Signatures

/s/ Connie Martinez, as attorney-in-fact for Michael B. Richings 07/30/2015

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of VGZ common stock ("RSU"). Vesting of 30% of the RSUs will vest over a 36-month period (10% at 12 months, 10% at 24 months and 10% at 36 months), subject to the reporting person's
- (1) continuing service as a director of the Issuer. Vesting of 30% of the RSUs will occur on 7/28/2016 based on the achievement of corporate goals and objectives for the year presently in progress. Vesting of the remaining 40% of the RSUs will occur on 7/28/2017; vesting is contingent upon share price performance criteria for the Issuer's common shares during the 2-year vesting period.
 - (2) VESTING OF THE RSU GRANTS IS SUBJECT TO PERFORMANCE AND MARKET PRICE CRITERIA AND THE RSUs WILL NOT NECESSARILY VEST OR CONVERT INTO NON-DERIVATIVE SECURITIES TO BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY THE REPORTING PERSON.

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