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January 02, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
(Amendment No. 4)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

VISTA GOLD CORP.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Shares

(Title of Class of Securities)

927926 20 4

(CUSIP Number)

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

December 12, 2002

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of This Statement)

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSON

Arthur Richards Rule
Not Applicable

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a)
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

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4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*
Not Applicable

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

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
U.S.A.

7 SOLE VOTING POWER
0

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

8 SHARED VOTING POWER
2,577,684

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
0

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
2,577,684

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
2,577,684

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

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
22.6%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
IN

*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSON
Rule Family Trust udt 12/17/98
Not Applicable

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

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(b) |X|

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Not Applicable

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

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

California

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

0

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8 SHARED VOTING POWER

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SCHEDULE 13D
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The Statement on Schedule 13D, dated February 8, 2002, initially filed by Arthur Richards Rule, as amended by Amendment No. 1, dated May 2, 2002, Amendment No. 2, dated July 2, 2002, and Amendment No. 3, dated November 13,

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2002, each filed by Mr. Rule and the Rule Family Trust udt 12/17/98, a revocable grantor trust (the "Trust," and together with Mr. Rule, the "Reporting Persons") (as so amended, the "Schedule 13D") is hereby amended by this Amendment No. 4, dated December 16, 2002 (the "Amendment"), to reflect certain changes in the information previously filed by the Reporting Persons relating to the outstanding Common Shares of Vista Gold Corp. (the "Issuer"). Unless otherwise specified, all capitalized terms contained herein have the meanings assigned to them in the Schedule 13D.

NOTE: Beneficial ownership calculations below are based on 9,967,082 Common Shares of the Issuer outstanding as of December 13, 2002.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

Item 5(a) and (c) are hereby amended and restated to read in their entirety as follows:

(a) Exploration Capital is the direct beneficial owner of 2,052,814 Shares (including 1,122,807 immediately exercisable purchase warrants), representing approximately 18.5% of the Issuer's outstanding Common Shares. By virtue of the relationships described under Item 2 of the Schedule 13D, each of Mr. Rule and the Trust may be deemed to share indirect ownership of the Shares directly beneficially owned by Exploration Capital.

Global Resource is the direct beneficial owner of 296,296 Shares (all of which are immediately exercisable share purchase warrants). Rule Investments, the General Partner of Global Resource, is the direct beneficial owner of 228,574 Common Shares. By virtue of the relationships described under Item 2 of the Schedule 13D, each of Mr. Rule and the Trust may be deemed to share indirect ownership of the Shares directly beneficially owned by Global Resource and by Rule Investments.

Based on the above, each of Mr. Rule and the Trust has, in aggregate, indirect beneficial ownership of 2,577,684 Shares, or approximately 22.6% of the Issuer's outstanding Common Shares.

(c) The Reporting Persons do not directly beneficially own any Shares. Since the filing of Amendment No. 3 to the Schedule 13D, the following transactions have occurred with respect to the Shares indirectly beneficially owned by the Reporting Persons:

Exploration Capital sold Common Shares, all in open market transactions, as follows:

December 12, 2002 - 50,000 shares at \$3.5147 per share, for aggregate proceeds of approximately \$175,735.

December 12, 2002 - 50,000 shares at \$3.6061 per share, for aggregate proceeds of approximately \$180,305.

On December 12, 2002, Rule Investments made a gift of 20,000 Common Shares to a person unaffiliated with either of the Reporting Persons.

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of his or its knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this

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Statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: December 16, 2002

Arthur Richards Rule, individually

By: /s/ Keith Presnell

Keith Presnell, Attorney-in-Fact

Date: December 16, 2002

Rule Family Trust udt 12/17/98

By: /s/ Keith Presnell

Keith Presnell, Attorney-in-Fact for
Arthur Richards Rule, Trustee