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Royal Gold to Present at the Merrill Lynch Global Metals, Mining and Steel Conference
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DENVER, May 13 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- ROYAL GOLD, INC. (Nasdaq: RGLD; TSX: RGL), the leading precious metals royalty company, announced today that management will present at the Merrill Lynch Global Metals, Mining and Steel Conference in Key Biscayne, Florida. The Merrill Lynch Conference is an invitation-only conference for institutional investors, mining analysts and the executive management of international mining companies.

Tony Jensen, President and Chief Executive Officer, will address conference participants on Wednesday, May 14, 2008, at 4:45 p.m. Eastern Time (2:45 p.m. Mountain Time) in a presentation lasting approximately 25 minutes. The presentation will be available for viewing by accessing the Company's website under the Investor Relations/Presentations section.

Royal Gold is a precious metals royalty company engaging in the acquisition and management of precious metals royalty interests. Royal Gold is publicly traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "RGLD" and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "RGL." The Company's web page is located at http://www.royalgold.com.

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