Friedman Deborah J
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Friedman Deborah J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

350 INDIANA STREET, SUITE 800

(Street)

GOLDEN, CO 80401

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
Golden Minerals Co [AUMN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/13/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr VP, Gen. Coun. & Corp. Secy

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/13/2012		F		2,500 (1)	D	$ 4.5974	43,600	D	
Common Stock	12/14/2012		A		50,000 (3)	A	$ 0	93,600 (2)	D	

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Friedman Deborah J 350 INDIANA STREET SUITE 800 GOLDEN, CO 80401			Sr VP, Gen. Coun. & Corp. Secy	

Signatures

Robert P. Vogels for Deborah J. Friedman Pursuant to Power of Attorney	12/17/2012
**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).

(1) These shares were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan entered into in May 2012 for the purpose of funding tax liabilities associated with the vesting of restricted stock issued pursuant to the Company's incentive plan.

(2) Includes 60,000 shares of restricted common stock granted pursuant to the Issuer's 2009 Equity Incentive Plan.

(3) Award reflects 50,000 shares of restricted common stock granted pursuant to the Issuer's 2009 Equity Incentive Plan. One-third of the awarded shares will vest on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date, with the first tranche vesting on December 14, 2013.

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