

APEX SILVER MINES LTD
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â VOGELS ROBERT P		(Month/Day/Year)	APEX SILVER MINES LTD [SIL]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
1700 LINCOLN STREET,			(Check all applicable)	
SUITE 3050			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(Street)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
DENVER,Â COÂ 80203			(give title below)	(specify below)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	VP, Principal Acct Officer	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
				<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Ordinary Shares	2,300 ⁽¹⁾	D	Â

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Title			

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		Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	01/31/2006 ⁽²⁾	01/31/2015	Ordinary Shares	15,000	\$ 16.16	D	Â
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	12/08/2006 ⁽³⁾	12/08/2015	Ordinary Shares	9,000	\$ 18.01	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
VOGELS ROBERT P 1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 3050 DENVER,Â COÂ 80203	Â	Â	Â VP, Principal Acct Officer	Â

Signatures

/s/Robert P. Vogels 02/23/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Restricted shares vest 25% each year, commencing December 8, 2006.
- (2) Options vest 25% each year, commencing January 31, 2006.
- (3) Options vest 25% each year, commencing December 8, 2006.

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