

ALMADEN MINERALS LTD  
Form SC 13G  
February 13, 2012

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**SCHEDULE 13G**

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934\*

**Almaden Minerals Ltd.**

(Name of Issuer)

**Common Stock**

(Title of Class of Securities)

**020283107**

(CUSIP Number)

**December 30, 2011**

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

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Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

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CUSIP No. 020283107

1. Names of Reporting Persons.

I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

RBC Global Asset Management Inc. ( RBC GAM )

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a) " (b) "

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization

Canada

5. Sole Voting Power

Number of

0

Shares 6. Shared Voting Power

Beneficially

Owned by

2,955,500

Each 7. Sole Dispositive Power

Reporting

Person

0

8. Shared Dispositive Power

With:

2,955,500

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

2,955,500

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

5.1%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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- Item 1.** (a) Name of Issuer  
Almaden Minerals Ltd.
- (b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices  
750 West Pender Street  
  
#1103  
  
Vancouver, B.C.  
  
Canada A1 V6C 2T8

- Item 2.** (a) Name of Person Filing  
RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
- (b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence  
RBC Centre  
  
155 Wellington Street West, Suite 2300  
  
Toronto, Ontario  
  
Canada M5V 3K7
- (c) Citizenship  
Canada
- (d) Title of Class of Securities  
Common Stock
- (e) CUSIP Number  
020283107

**Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:**

- (a)  Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
- (b)  Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (c)  Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (d)  Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
- (e)  An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f)  An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g)  A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h)  A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i)  A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j)  A non-U.S. institution in accordance with Rule 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);
- (k)  Group, in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K).

**Item 4. Ownership**

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

2,955,500

(b) Percent of class:

5.1%.

(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote

0

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote

2,955,500

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

0

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

2,955,500

*Instruction:* For computations regarding securities which represent a right to acquire an underlying security see §240.13d-3(d)(1).

**Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class**

Not applicable.

**Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person**

Accounts managed on a discretionary basis by RBC GAM are known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from, the sale of such securities.

**Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company**

Not applicable.

**Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group**

Not applicable.

**Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group**

Not applicable.

**Item 10. Certification**

By signing below we certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

By signing below, I also certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foreign regulatory scheme applicable to the bank is substantially comparable to the regulatory scheme applicable to the functionally equivalent U.S. institution. I also undertake to furnish to the Commission staff, upon request, information that would be disclosed in a Schedule 13D.

**SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 8, 2012

RBC GLOBAL ASSET MANAGEMENT INC.

/s/ Frank Lippa  
Signature

Frank Lippa / Chief Financial Officer  
Name/Title