

SOROS PAUL  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SOROS PAUL  
  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
APEX SILVER MINES LTD [SIL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

888 SEVENTH AVENUE, SUITE 3200  
  
(Street)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2004

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

NEW YORK, NY 10106  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  
  
(check applicable line)

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**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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Ordinary Shares	11/17/2004	^	G	10,000 D \$ <u>(1)</u>	220,560	I	See footnotes (1) (2)
Ordinary Shares	12/27/2004	^	G	25,790 D \$ <u>(1)</u>	194,770	I	See footnotes (1) (2)
Ordinary Shares	^	^	^	^ ^ ^	239,119	D	^

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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. of D Se B O E Is F (I
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SOROS PAUL 888 SEVENTH AVENUE SUITE 3200 NEW YORK, NY 10106	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Paul Soros                      01/28/2005  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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).  
 These ordinary shares, \$0.01 par value per share were gifted by VDM, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("VDM") for no consideration. The  
 (1) Reporting Person is the sole shareholder and sole director of VDM and, in such capacity, may be deemed to have voting and dispositive power over the ordinary shares held for the account of VDM.  
 (2) The filing of this statement shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of any securities not held directly for his account for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise.

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