HECLA MINING CO/DE/ Form 4 January 15, 2003

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Ado FUDGE, JR. TH			me and Tic INING CO		•	•	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) 6500 Mineral D	of Reporting Person,					tatement for nth/Day/Year uary 15, 2003	X	_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)					
	384-62-8254							<u>Vice President -</u> Operations					
(Street) Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815-9408							Dat	5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)		 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 			
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Т	able	I Non-D	erivati	ve Secu	urities Acquired,	Dispose	d of, or Benef	icially Owned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date,	3. Trans action C (Instr. 8	Code	4. Securitie (A) or Disj (Instr. 3, 4	posed o		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially		6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial			
	(Month/ Day/ Year)	if any (Month/Day/ Year)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Follow- ing Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	01/15/03	01/15/03	А		93 (1)	A			2,030	D			
Common Stock									204 ⁽²⁾	Ι			

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Derivative	sion or	Trans-	Deemed	Trans-	Number	and Expiration	Amount of	Derivative	Derivative	Owner-	of Indirect
Security	Exercise	action	Execution	action	of	Date	Underlying	Security	Securities	ship	Beneficial
	Price of	Date	Date,	Code	Derivati	(Melonth/Day/	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Form	Ownership

(Instr. 3)	Derivative Security	(Month/	`````	(Instr. 8)		Secu Acq (A) Disp of (I (Ins 3, 4	uire or oose D) tr.			(Instr. 3 & 4)		Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	of Deriv- ative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)		Exer-cisable	-		Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Shares transferred from participant's account held in the Hecla Mining Company Executive Deferral Plan, which was terminated effective April 1, 2001

(2) Shares remaining in participant's account held in the Hecla Mining Company Executive Deferral Plan, which was terminated effective April 1, 2001

By: /s/ <u>Tami D. Hansen, Attorney in Fact for Thomas F.</u> January 15, 2003 Fudge, Jr. Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

**Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Phil Baker, Mike White, John Galbavy and Tami Hansen, signing singly, the undersigned's true and attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Hecla Mining Company (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary of desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or

amendments thereto, and file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally requiby, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall cont such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discret

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and per any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersign might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the ri and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Compa assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 15th day of October, 2002.

Signature: /s/ Thomas F. Fudge, Jr.

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Print Name: Thomas F. Fudge, Jr.