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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Add			me and Tick		_	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last)	of Reporting Person,					Statement for nth/Day/Year rch 3, 2003	10 X	X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
		530-36-1426						O	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer			
Coeur d'Alene, l					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)	Ta	able	I Non-D	erivati	ve Sec	urities Acquired	, Dispose	d of, or Benef	icially Owned	
1. Title of 2. Trans- 2A. Deemed Security action Execution (Instr. 3) Date Date,			3. Trans action C (Instr. 8)	ode	4. Securitie (A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4	osed o		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially		Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
	(Month/ Day/ Year)	if any (Month/Day/ Year)	fany Code V Amount (A) Month/Day/ or		Price	Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	02/27/03		A		6,720 <u>(1)</u>	A			315,520	D		

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

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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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	Price of	Date	Date,	Code	Derivati	(NeIonth/Day/	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Form	Ownership
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^{*} If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(Instr. 3)	Derivative		if any		S	ecu	ritio	X ear)		(Instr	: 3 & 4)	Owned	of Deriv-	(Instr. 4)
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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.

By: /s/ Tami D. Hansen, Attorney in Fact for Arthur Brown March 3, 2003

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, See Instruction 6 for procedure.

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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

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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 requi

by, 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 pe

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 1st day of October 2002.

Signature: /s/ Arthur Brown

Print Name: Arthur Brown

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