

HECLA MINING CO/DE/  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**WALDE LEWIS E**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE 200

(Street)

COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**HECLA MINING CO/DE/ [HL]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/14/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
V.P. and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/14/2007		M		4,000	A	\$ 6.543
Common Stock	11/14/2007		M		20,000	A	\$ 4.878
Common Stock	11/14/2007		M		6,000	A	\$ 4.635
Common Stock	11/14/2007		M		35,000	A	\$ 5.995
Common Stock	11/14/2007		M		26,000	A	\$ 4.92
							40,200
							60,200
							66,200
							101,200
							127,200
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Common Stock	11/14/2007	J	30,000 (1)	D	\$ 11.33	97,200	D
Common Stock	11/14/2007	S	61,000	D	\$ 11.4141	36,200	D
Common Stock	11/16/2007	M	6,000	A	\$ 4.92	42,200	D
Common Stock	11/16/2007	S	6,000	D	\$ 11.138	36,200	D

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 6.543	11/14/2007		M	4,000	01/01/2005	02/23/2011	Common Stock	4,000
Stock Options	\$ 4.878	11/14/2007		M	20,000	01/01/2005	05/14/2011	Common Stock	20,000
Stock Options	\$ 4.635	11/14/2007		M	6,000	02/13/2005	08/13/2011	Common Stock	6,000
Stock Options	\$ 5.995	11/14/2007		M	35,000	05/06/2004	05/06/2009	Common Stock	35,000
Stock Options	\$ 4.92	11/14/2007		M	26,000	05/06/2005	05/06/2010	Common Stock	26,000
Stock Options	\$ 4.92	11/16/2007		M	6,000	05/06/2005	05/06/2010	Common Stock	6,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

WALDE LEWIS E  
6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE 200  
COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408

V.P. and CFO

## Signatures

Lewis E. Walde                      11/16/2007

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## 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 are discounted stock options purchased by Mr. Walde under the terms of the Key Employee Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan). On November 14, 2007, Mr. Walde exercised these stock options within the Plan. These stock options were not sold in the open market. The amount of gain realized by Mr. Walde from the exercise of these stock options will be held in the Investment Account under the Plan, until such time as Mr. Walde has a distributable event under the terms of the Plan, or at such time as Mr. Walde has elected under the terms of the Plan.

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