

HECLA MINING CO/DE/  
Form 8-K  
November 08, 2011

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **November 7, 2011**

**HECLA MINING COMPANY**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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| <b>Delaware</b><br>(State or Other Jurisdiction<br>of Incorporation) | <b>1-8491</b><br>(Commission File Number) | <b>77-0664171</b><br>(IRS Employer Identification No.) |
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**6500 North Mineral Drive, Suite 200**

**Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815-9408**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

**(208) 769-4100**  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**N/A**  
(Former name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



## **Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On November 8, 2011, Hecla Mining Company (the “Company”) issued a news release announcing the Company’s third quarter 2011 and nine months ended September 30, 2011, financial results. The news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any of the Company’s filings or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

## **Item 8.01 Other Events**

### Pre-Development and Exploration

On November 7, 2011, the Company issued a news release providing an update on its pre-development and exploration initiatives. The news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 8-K.

The information furnished above, including Exhibit 99.2, shall not be deemed to be “filed” for the purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section and shall not be incorporated by reference into any of our filings or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

### Quarterly Dividend

On November 8, 2011, the Company announced it would pay a dividend on its shares of common stock pursuant to its silver price-linked common stock dividend policy. A copy of the news release is attached as Exhibit 99.3 to this Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

| <b>Exhibit Number</b> | <b>Description</b>                      |
|-----------------------|---|
| 99.1                  | News Release, dated November 8, 2011. * |
| 99.2                  | News Release, dated November 7, 2011. * |
| 99.3                  | News Release, dated November 8, 2011. * |

\* Filed herewith

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**Hecla Mining Company**

By: /s/ David C. Sienko  
David C. Sienko  
Vice President & General Counsel

Dated: November 8, 2011