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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement HECLA MINING CO/DE/ [HL] Poirier Don (Month/Day/Year) 07/09/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, (Check all applicable) **SUITE 200** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting V.P. - Corporate Development Person **COEUR** Form filed by More than One D'ALENE. IDÂ 83815-9408 Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 11,100 (1) Â Common Stock D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect	
Security	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial	
(Instr. 4)	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise Form of		Ownership	
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Title	Derivative	Security:		
			Security	Direct (D)		

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		Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options	01/09/2008(2)	07/09/2012	Common	20,000	\$ 9.165	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Poirier Don 6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE 200 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408	Â	Â	V.P Corporate Development	Â	

Signatures

Tami D. Hansen, Attorney-in-Fact for Don Poirier 07/10/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Restricted stock granted under the Company's Key Employee Deferred Compensation Plan. These restricted shares have the following (1) vesting schedule: 5,550 shares of the restricted stock will vest on July 9, 2008, and the other 5,550 shares of the restricted stock will vest on July 9, 2009.
- (2) 10,000 nonqualified stock options will vest on January 9, 2008, and the other 10,000 nonqualified stock options will vest on July 9, 2008. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *See* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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