#### HECLA MINING CO/DE/

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# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

200

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **CLAYTON RONALD W** 

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

HECLA MINING CO/DE/ [HL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2005

6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner

X\_\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

VP - North American Operations

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408 (State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

4. Securities Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Securities Code

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired Price of Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Stock Common 01/01/2006 05/16/2012 **Options** \$ 3.573 05/16/2005 Α 6,566 6,566 Stock

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CLAYTON RONALD W 6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE 200 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408

**VP - North American Operations** 

# **Signatures**

Ronald W. 05/17/2005 Clayton

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

### **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).
- Stock option units acquired under the Key Employee Deferred Compensation Plan pursuant to the election made to convert cash amount in investment account under the Key Employee Deferred Compensation Plan into discounted stock options

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