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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report
(Date of earliest event reported):

November 4, 2003

Hecla Mining Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-8491 82-0126240

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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)

The following information is being furnished under Items 9 and 12 of Form 8-K: On November 4, 2003, Hecla Mining Company (the "Company") issued a news release announcing the Company's Third Quarter 2003 and nine months ended September 30, 2003 financial results. The News Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

SIGNATURE

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Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

HECLA MINING COMPANY

By: /s/ Michael B. White

Name: Michael B. White Title: Corporate Secretary

Dated: November 4, 2003

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Title

Exhibit 99 - Hecla Mining Company News Release dated November 4, 2003