HECLA MINING CO/DE/ Form 4

May 10, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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obligations

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

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

BAKER PHILLIPS S JR

(Middle)

(Zip)

Symbol HECLA MINING CO/DE/ [HL]

(Check all applicable)

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Expires:

Estimated average

3235-0287

January 31,

2005

0.5

(First) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner

6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE

05/06/2005

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Street)

President and CEO

200

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408

(State)

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

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common 05/06/2005 Stock

Code V Amount 35,000 A Α (1)

\$0 200,609

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)

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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 onDerivative 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 of Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 4.92	05/06/2005		A	146,000	05/06/2005	05/06/2010	Common Stock	146,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
reporting of mer runner, runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
BAKER PHILLIPS S JR 6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE 200 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408	X		President and CEO		

Signatures

Tami D. Hansen, Attorney-in-Fact for Phillips S.
Baker, Jr.
05/10/2005

**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).
- (1) Restricted stock granted under the Company's Key Employee Deferred Compensation Plan. These restricted shares do not vest until May 2006, subject to the continued employment of Mr. Baker.

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