HECLA MINING CO/DE/

Form 4

November 01, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HECLA MINING CO/DE/ [HL]

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

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obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

BROWN ARTHUR

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE 10/31/2005

200

(Instr. 3)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Expires:

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

below)

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

Symbol

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4) (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)

Code

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise any

5. Number Transaction of Derivative Date

Securities

(A)

or

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

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date

10/31/2005

A 1,319 08/08/1988(2) 08/08/1988(3) Common Stock 1,31

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Numb

Share

Reporting Owners

 $\$ 0 \frac{(1)}{1}$

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

10/31/2005

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BROWN ARTHUR 6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE 200 X COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408

Signatures

Phantom

Stock

Tami D. Hansen, Attorney-in-Fact for Arthur
Brown

11/01/2005

**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) These are stock units that convert 1 for 1 to common stock
- (2) These are stock units that convert to common stock upon termination of employment or such other date as specified under the company's Key Employee Deferred Compensation Plan
- (3) These are stock units that convert to common stock upon termination of employment or such other date as specified under the company's Key Employee Deferred Compensation Plan. They have no expiration date.
- (4) These stock units are based on a discretionary amount that was granted to Art Brown by the Compensation Committee under the Key Employee Deferred Compensation Plan

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