HECLA MINING CO/DE/

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **CLAYTON RONALD W** Issuer Symbol HECLA MINING CO/DE/ [HL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 6500 N MINERAL DRIVE STE 200 05/28/2009 below) below) Senior V.P. - Operations (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting COEUR D ALENE, ID 83815 Person

(City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock 05/28/2009 A 43,860 A 0.200,550 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 3.42	05/28/2009		A	78,534	05/28/2009	05/28/2014	Common Stock	78,534

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CLAYTON RONALD W

6500 N MINERAL DRIVE STE 200 Senior V.P. - Operations

COEUR D ALENE, ID 83815

Signatures

Tami D. Hansen, Attorney-in-Fact for Ronald W. Clayton 06/01/2009

**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 units granted under the Company's Key Employee Deferred Compensation Plan. The restrictions on these units lapse on May 28, 2010, and are subject to forfeiture if Mr. Clayton leaves the Company before May 28, 2010.

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