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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 9, 2013

HECLA MINING COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

1-8491 77-0664171

(State or Other Jurisdiction

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

of Incorporation)

6500 North Mineral Drive, Suite 200

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815-9408

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

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(208) 769-4100
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)
N/A (Former name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)
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Item 8.01. Other Event.

On April 9, 2013, Hecla Mining Company issued a press release announcing the pricing of an offering of U.S. \$500 million aggregate principal amount of Senior Unsecured Notes bearing an interest rate of 6.875%. The offering is expected to close on April 12, 2013, subject to certain closing conditions. A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit

Description

Number

99.1 News Release dated April 9, 2013. *

* Filed herewith

SIGNATURE

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

Dated: April 9, 2013

Hecla Mining Company

By: /s/ David C. Sienko

David C. Sienko

Vice President & General Counsel