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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): June 27, 2016

HECLA MINING COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-8491 (Commission 77-0664171 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number) 6500 North Mineral Drive, Suite 200

Identification No.)

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Coeur d Alene, Idaho 83815-9408

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(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 Events

On July 8, 2016, Hecla Mining Company (Hecla) issued a news release announcing the formal commencement of a takeover bid for all of the outstanding shares of Dolly Varden Silver Corporation (DV) not owned by Hecla and its affiliates for Canadian \$0.69 cash per share. The bid was previously announced in a news release issued on June 27, 2016. DV is Vancouver-based company incorporated under the laws of British Columbia that is engaged in the acquisition, exploration and development of mineral properties. DV s common shares trade on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol DV. The bid is subject to a minimum tender condition that more than 50% of the shares are tendered, excluding shares owned by Hecla and its affiliates. The bid is subject to other customary conditions, including no further issuances of securities by DV, including pursuant to a private placement of common shares by DV previously announced on July 5, 2016.

A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 News Release dated July 8, 2016.

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: July 8, 2016

Hecla Mining Company

By: /s/ David C. Sienko
David C. Sienko
Vice President & General Counsel