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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report August 3, 2004 (Date of earliest event reported): Hecla Mining Company (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-8491 82-0126240 _____ (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.) 6500 North Mineral Drive, Suite 200 Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815-9408 ______ (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (208) 769-4100 ______

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure and Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition (Item 12)

(Registrant's Telephone Number)

The following information is being furnished under Items 9 and 12 of Form 8-K: On August 3, 2004, Hecla Mining Company (the "Company") issued a news release announcing the Company's Second Quarter 2004 and six months ended June 30, 2004 financial results. The News Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

HECLA MINING COMPANY

By: /s/ John N. Galbavy

Name: John N. Galbavy

Title: Corporate Counsel and Assistant Secretary

Dated: August 3, 2004

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Title

Exhibit 99 - Hecla Mining Company News Release dated August 3, 2004.