HECLA MINING CO/DE/

Form 4 May 03, 2005

FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HECLA MINING CO/DE/ [HL]

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BROWN ARTHUR**

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 04/29/2005

Symbol

6500 N. MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE 200

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

Number:

Expires:

response...

Estimated average

burden hours per

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 (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

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3235-0287

January 31,

2005

0.5

(Instr. 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

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

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

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Numb

Share

1,66

Common

Stock

(Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired Price of Derivative (A) or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date Phantom $08/08/1988^{(2)} \quad 08/08/1988^{(3)}$

04/29/2005

Reporting Owners

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

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

04/29/2005

10% Owner Officer Other Director

Α

1.660

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

Signatures

Stock

Tami D. Hansen, Attorney-in-Fact for Arthur 05/03/2005 Brown

> **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
- These are stock units that convert to common stock upon termination of employment or such other date as specified under the company's **(2)** Key Employee Deferred Compensation Plan
- 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.
- 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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