

HECLA MINING CO/DE/  
Form 8-K  
February 19, 2013

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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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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): February 19, 2013

HECLA MINING COMPANY  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

1-8491  
(Commission File Number)

77-0664171  
(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  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including  
Area Code)

N/A  
(Former name or Former Address, if Changed  
Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01. Other

On February 19, 2013, Hecla Mining Company (the “Company”) issued a news release with respect to the Lucky Friday Mine. The news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K. The Company also participated in a news conference and released a handout to the media. The handout is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

	(c)	Exhibits
	99.1	News Release dated February 19, 2013. *
99.2		News Conference – handout given to media on February 19, 2013. *

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\* 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.

HECLA MINING COMPANY

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

Dated: February 19, 2013