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**Return of Private Foundation  
or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust  
Treated as a Private Foundation**

2009

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Note: The foundation may be able to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

For calendar year 2009, or tax year beginning

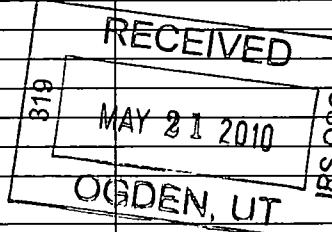
, 2009, and ending

G Check all that apply:  Initial return  Initial Return of a former public charity  Final return  
 Amended return  Address change  Name change

<b>Use the IRS label. Otherwise, print or type. See Specific Instructions.</b>	<b>HECLA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION</b> <b>6500 N MINERAL DRIVE #200</b> <b>COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815-9408</b>		<b>A Employer identification number</b> <b>26-1728023</b> <b>B Telephone number (see the instructions)</b> <b>208-769-4100</b> <b>C If exemption application is pending, check here ►</b> <b>D 1 Foreign organizations, check here ►</b> <b>2 Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ►</b> <b>E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ►</b> <b>F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ►</b>
	<b>H Check type of organization</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other taxable private foundation</b>		
<b>I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, column (c), line 16)</b> <b>► \$ 3,000,830.</b>	<b>J Accounting method.</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Cash</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Accrual</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other (specify)</b> _____	<b>(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)</b>	

**Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses** (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see the instructions))

REVENUE	(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc, received (att sch)				
2 Ck ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the foundn is not req to att Sch B				
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
4 Dividends and interest from securities				
5a Gross rents				
b Net rental income or (loss)				
6a Net gain/(loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	-338,216.			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	195,759.			
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2).	0.			
8 Net short-term capital gain				
9 Income modifications				
10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
b Less Cost of goods sold				
c Gross profit/(loss) (att sch)				
11 Other income (attach schedule)				
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	-338,216.	0.	0.	
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0.		
	14 Other employee salaries and wages			
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits			
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)			
	b Accounting fees (attach sch)			
	c Other prof fees (attach sch)			
	17 Interest			
	18 Taxes (attach schedule)(see instr)			
	19 Depreciation (attach sch) and depletion			
	20 Occupancy			
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings			
	22 Printing and publications			
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)			
	See Statement 1	14.	14.	
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	14.	14.	
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid Part XV	193,699.		193,699.
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25.	193,713.	14.	0.
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12: a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	-531,929.		
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)	0.		
	c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)	0.		



**Part II Balance Sheets**Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only  
(See instructions)

			Beginning of year	End of year
			(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value
			(c) Fair Market Value	
ASSETS	1	Cash – non-interest-bearing		1,744.
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		303.
	3	Accounts receivable		
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts		
	4	Pledges receivable		
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts		
	5	Grants receivable		
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see the instructions)		
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach sch)		
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts		
	8	Inventories for sale or use		
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		
	10a	Investments – U S. and state government obligations (attach schedule)		
	b	Investments – corporate stock (attach schedule) Statement 2	4,535,000.	4,001,024.
	c	Investments – corporate bonds (attach schedule)		
	11	Investments – land, buildings, and equipment basis		
		Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)		
	12	Investments – mortgage loans		
	13	Investments – other (attach schedule)		
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment: basis		
		Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)		
	15	Other assets (describe)		
	16	<b>Total assets</b> (to be completed by all filers – see instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	4,535,000.	4,003,071.
LIABILITIES	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		
	18	Grants payable		
	19	Deferred revenue		
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, & other disqualified persons		
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)		
	22	Other liabilities (describe)		
	23	<b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 17 through 22)	0.	0.
NET ASSETS		Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	24	Unrestricted		
	25	Temporarily restricted		
	26	Permanently restricted		
		Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 27 through 31.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds		
	30	<b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (see the instructions)	4,535,000.	4,003,071.
	31	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> (see the instructions)	4,535,000.	4,003,071.

**Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances**

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year – Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	4,535,000.
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-531,929.
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize)	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	4,003,071.
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize)	5	
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) – Part II, column (b), line 30	6	4,003,071.

**Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income**

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shares MLC Company)			(b) How acquired P — Purchase D — Donation	(c) Date acquired (month, day, year)	(d) Date sold (month, day, year)
<b>1a</b> 1560 HECLA MINING COMPANY			D	1/18/08	8/03/09
<b>b</b> 60000 HECLA MINING COMPANY			D	1/18/08	8/17/09
<b>c</b> 3200 HECLA MINING COMPANY			D	1/18/08	12/08/09
<b>d</b>					
<b>e</b>					
<b>(e)</b> Gross sales price	<b>(f)</b> Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	<b>(g)</b> Cost or other basis plus expense of sale		<b>(h)</b> Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)	
<b>a</b> 5,016.		12,863.		-7,847.	
<b>b</b> 170,440.		494,727.		-324,287.	
<b>c</b> 20,303.		26,385.		-6,082.	
<b>d</b>					
<b>e</b>					
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69				(i) Gains (Column (h)) gain minus column (k), but not less than -0- or Losses (from column (h))	
<b>(i)</b> Fair Market Value as of 12/31/69	<b>(j)</b> Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	<b>(k)</b> Excess of column (i) over column (j), if any			
<b>a</b>				-7,847.	
<b>b</b>				-324,287.	
<b>c</b>				-6,082.	
<b>d</b>					
<b>e</b>					
<b>2</b> Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7		<b>2</b>	-338,216.	
<b>3</b> Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6)	If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see the instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8.		<b>3</b>	0.	

**Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income**

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income) N/A

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?  Yes  No

If 'Yes,' the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year; see the instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (column (b) divided by column (c))
2008			
2007			
2006			
2005			
2004			

<b>2</b> Total of line 1, column (d)	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period— divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2009 from Part X, line 5	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> Multiply line 4 by line 3	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> Add lines 5 and 6	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	<b>8</b>

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions.

**Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 – see the instructions)**

1 a Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 'N/A' on line 1.	<b>1</b> <b>2</b> <b>3</b> <b>4</b> <b>5</b>	<b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b>
Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary - see instr.)		
b Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		
c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, column (b)		
2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)		
3 Add lines 1 and 2	<b>6a</b> <b>6b</b> <b>6c</b> <b>6d</b>	<b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b>
4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)		
<b>5 Tax based on investment income.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-		
6 Credits/Payments:		
a 2009 estimated tax pmts and 2008 overpayment credited to 2009		
b Exempt foreign organizations – tax withheld at source		
c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)		
d Backup withholding erroneously withheld		
7 Total credits and payments Add lines 6a through 6d	<b>7</b> <b>8</b> <b>9</b> <b>10</b> <b>11</b>	<b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b>
8 Enter any <b>penalty</b> for underpayment of estimated tax Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached		
9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed		
10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid		
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be. Credited to 2010 estimated tax ► <b>Refunded</b>		

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities**

1 a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?

	Yes	No
1a	X	

b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see the instructions for definition)?

1b	X
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c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?

1c	X
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d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year

(1) On the foundation ► \$	0.	(2) On foundation managers ► \$	0.
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e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ► \$ 0.

2	X
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2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS?

3	X
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If 'Yes,' attach a detailed description of the activities.

4a	X
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4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?

4b	N/A
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b If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?

5	X
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5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year?

6	X
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If 'Yes,' attach the statement required by General Instruction T

7	X
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6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either:

8a	
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• By language in the governing instrument, or

8b	X
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• By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?

9	X
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7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If 'Yes,' complete Part II, column (c), and Part XV

10	X
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8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see the instructions) ► \_\_\_\_\_

N/A

10	X
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b If the answer is 'Yes' to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If 'No,' attach explanation.

See Statement 3

10	X
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9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2009 or the taxable year beginning in 2009 (see instructions for Part XIV)? If 'Yes,' complete Part XIV

10	X
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10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If 'Yes,' attach a schedule listing their names and addresses.

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities Continued**

11		X
12		X
13	X	
14	JAMES A SABALA	Telephone no. 208-769-4100
	Located at 6500 N MINERAL DRIVE, SUITE 200 COEUR D'ALEN	ZIP + 4 83815-9408
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 — Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	N/A ► 15 N/A

**Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required**

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the 'Yes' column, unless an exception applies.

1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly):

- (1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person?  Yes  No
- (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?  Yes  No
- (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?  Yes  No
- (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?  Yes  No
- (5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)?  Yes  No
- (6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check 'No' if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.)  Yes  No

b If any answer is 'Yes' to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see the instructions)?

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ► 

c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2009?

2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))

a At the end of tax year 2009, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2009?  Yes  No

If 'Yes,' list the years ► 20\_\_, 20\_\_, 20\_\_, 20\_\_.

b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer 'No' and attach statement — see the instructions)

c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ► 20\_\_, 20\_\_, 20\_\_, 20\_\_

3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?  Yes  No

b If 'Yes,' did it have excess business holdings in 2009 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2009)

4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?  4a Xb Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2009?  4b X

**Part VII-B: Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)****5a** During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?

 Yes  No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?

 Yes  No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?

 Yes  No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc, organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)? (see instructions)

 Yes  No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?

 Yes  No**b** If any answer is 'Yes' to 5a(1)-(5), did **any** of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ► **c** If the answer is 'Yes' to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?N/A  Yes  No

If 'Yes,' attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d).

**6a** Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes  No**b** Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?

If 'Yes' to 6b, file Form 8870.

**7a** At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? Yes  No**b** If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?**5b** N/A**6b** X**7b** N/A**Part VIII. Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors****1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).**

(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See Statement 4		0.	0.	0.
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**2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1 – see instructions). If none, enter 'NONE.'**

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
None				
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Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000

►

0

**Part VIII | Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)**

**3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services – (see instructions). If none, enter 'NONE.'**

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		

**Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services.**

0

**Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities**

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.

## Expenses

1	N/A	
2		
3		
4		

**Part IX-B** Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2

**Amount**

1	<u>N/A</u>	
2		

All other program-related investments. See instructions

**3** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Total.** Add lines 1 through 3 ► 0.

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**Part X Minimum Investment Return** (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

- 1 Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc, purposes
- a Average monthly fair market value of securities
- b Average of monthly cash balances
- c Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)
- d **Total** (add lines 1a, b, and c)
- e Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c  
(attach detailed explanation)
- 2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets
- 3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d
- 4 Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3  
(for greater amount, see instructions)
- 5 **Net value of noncharitable-use assets.** Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4
- 6 **Minimum investment return.** Enter 5% of line 5

1e	0.
2	0.
3	1,851,403.
4	27,771.
5	1,823,632.
6	91,182.

**Part XI Distributable Amount** (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ►  and do not complete this part.)

- 1 Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6
- 2a Tax on investment income for 2009 from Part VI, line 5
- b Income tax for 2009. (This does not include the tax from Part VI )
- c Add lines 2a and 2b
- 3 Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1
- 4 Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions
- 5 Add lines 3 and 4
- 6 Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)
- 7 **Distributable amount** as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1

1	91,182.
2a	
2b	
2c	
3	91,182.
4	
5	91,182.
6	
7	91,182.

**Part XII Qualifying Distributions** (see instructions)

- 1 Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc, purposes:
  - a Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc – total from Part I, column (d), line 26
  - b Program-related investments – total from Part IX-B
- 2 Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc, purposes
- 3 Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:
  - a Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)
  - b Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)
- 4 **Qualifying distributions.** Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4
- 5 Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions)
- 6 **Adjusted qualifying distributions.** Subtract line 5 from line 4

1a	193,699.
1b	
2	
3	
3a	
3b	
4	193,699.
5	
6	193,699.

**Note:** The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

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**Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)**

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2008	(c) 2008	(d) 2009
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2009 from Part XI, line 7				91,182.
<b>2</b> Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2009:				
<b>a</b> Enter amount for 2008 only			191,545.	
<b>b</b> Total for prior years: 20____, 20____, 20____		0.		
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2009:				
<b>a</b> From 2004				
<b>b</b> From 2005				
<b>c</b> From 2006				
<b>d</b> From 2007				
<b>e</b> From 2008				
<b>f</b> <b>Total</b> of lines 3a through e		0.		
<b>4</b> Qualifying distributions for 2009 from Part XII, line 4: ► \$ 193,699.			191,545.	
<b>a</b> Applied to 2008, but not more than line 2a				
<b>b</b> Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required – see instructions)		0.		
<b>c</b> Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required – see instructions)	0.			
<b>d</b> Applied to 2009 distributable amount				2,154.
<b>e</b> Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0.			
<b>5</b> Excess distributions carryover applied to 2009 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))	0.			0.
<b>6</b> Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
<b>a</b> Corpus. Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	0.			
<b>b</b> Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0.		
<b>c</b> Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		0.		
<b>d</b> Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount – see instructions		0.		
<b>e</b> Undistributed income for 2008. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount – see instructions			0.	
<b>f</b> Undistributed income for 2009 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2010				89,028.
<b>7</b> Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see instructions)	0.			
<b>8</b> Excess distributions carryover from 2004 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)	0.			
<b>9</b> <b>Excess distributions carryover to 2010.</b> Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	0.			
<b>10</b> Analysis of line 9.				
<b>a</b> Excess from 2005				
<b>b</b> Excess from 2006				
<b>c</b> Excess from 2007				
<b>d</b> Excess from 2008				
<b>e</b> Excess from 2009				

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**Part XIV Private Operating Foundations** (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

N/A

<b>1a</b> If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2009, enter the date of the ruling				
<b>b</b> Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section	<input type="checkbox"/> 4942(j)(3) or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4942(j)(5)			
<b>2a</b> Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed				
<b>b</b> 85% of line 2a				
<b>c</b> Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed				
<b>d</b> Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities				
<b>e</b> Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c				
<b>3</b> Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon:				
<b>a</b> 'Assets' alternative test — enter:				
(1) Value of all assets				
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)				
<b>b</b> 'Endowment' alternative test — enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed				
<b>c</b> 'Support' alternative test — enter:				
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)				
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(ii)				
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization				
(4) Gross investment income				

**Part XV Supplementary Information** (Complete this part only if the organization had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year — see instructions.)**1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**

**a** List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))

None

**b** List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest

None

**2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc, Programs:**

Check here  if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc, (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

**a** The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom applications should be addressed

**See Statement 5**

**b** The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

**See Statement for Line 2a**

**c** Any submission deadlines

**See Statement for Line 2a**

**d** Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors.

**See Statement for Line 2a**

**Part XV. Supplementary Information (continued)****3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
<i>a Paid during the year</i>				
See Statement 6				
<b>Total</b>			► 3a	193,699.
<i>b Approved for future payment</i>				
<b>Total</b>			► 3b	

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (see the instructions)
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclu- sion code	(d) Amount	
1 Program service revenue:					
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
f					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2 Membership dues and assessments					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
4 Dividends and interest from securities					
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a Debt-financed property					
b Not debt-financed property					
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7 Other investment income					
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					-338,216.
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11 Other revenue					
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
12 Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e)					-338,216.
13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)					-338,216.

## Part XVI-B: Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

Line No. ▼	Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes) (See the instructions )
8	The proceeds from the sale of Hecla stock fund the grants paid which are listed in Part XV to accomplish the exempt purpose of funding educational and
	charitable purposes to enhance quality of life and promote community
	development.

**Part XVII** | **Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations**

- 1 Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

**a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of:**

- (1) Cash
  - (2) Other assets

**b Other transactions:**

- (1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization
  - (2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization
  - (3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets
  - (4) Reimbursement arrangements
  - (5) Loans or loan guarantees
  - (6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations

**c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees**

	Yes	No
1a (1)	X	
1a (2)	X	
1b (1)	X	
1b (2)	X	
1b (3)	X	
1b (4)	X	
1b (5)	X	
1b (6)	X	
1c		X

d If the answer to any of the above is 'Yes,' complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.

<b>(a) Line no.</b>	<b>(b) Amount involved</b>	<b>(c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization</b>	<b>(d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements</b>
N/A			

**2a** Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527?

Yes  No

**b** If 'Yes,' complete the following schedule

<b>(a) Name of organization</b>	<b>(b) Type of organization</b>	<b>(c) Description of relationship</b>
N/A		

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer or fiduciary) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

SIGN ► James Schabach  
Signature of officer or trustee

<b>Paid Pre- parer's Use Only</b>	Preparer's signature	
<b>Firm's name (or yours if self- employed), address, and ZIP code</b>	<b>KARI S. LARUE</b> <b>9122 S QUAKING VALLEYFORD, WA</b>	

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**Statement 1**  
**Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 23**  
**Other Expenses**

	(a) Expenses per Books	(b) Net Investment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	(d) Charitable Purposes
BANK FEES	\$ 14.	\$ 14.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.
Total	\$ 14.	\$ 14.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.

**Statement 2**  
**Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 10b**  
**Investments - Corporate Stocks**

Corporate Stocks	Valuation Method	Book Value	Fair Market Value
550,000 SHARES COMMON STOCK HECLA MINING	Mkt Val	\$ 4,001,024.	\$ 2,998,783.
	Total	\$ 4,001,024.	\$ 2,998,783.

**Statement 3**  
**Form 990-PF, Part VII-A, Line 8b**  
**Copies of Form 990-PF to State Officials**

NOT APPLICABLE

**Statement 4**  
**Form 990-PF, Part VIII, Line 1**  
**List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees**

Name and Address	Title and Average Hours Per Week Devoted	Compensa- tion	Contri- bution to EBP & DC	Expense Account/ Other
PHILLIPS S BAKER, JR 6500 N MINERAL DRIVE, STE 200 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815	President 0.50	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.
JAMES A SABALA 6500 N MINERAL DRIVE, STE 200 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815	Vice President 0.50	0.	0.	0.
DEAN MC DONALD 6500 N MINERAL DRIVE, STE 200 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815	Director 0.50	0.	0.	0.
TAMI HANSEN 6500 N MINERAL DRIVE, STE 200 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815	Secretary 0.50	0.	0.	0.

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## Statement 4 (continued)

Form 990-PF, Part VIII, Line 1

## List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

Name and Address	Title and Average Hours Per Week Devoted	Compensation	Contribution to EBP & DC	Expense Account/Other
CAROLYN TURNER 6500 N MINERAL DRIVE, STE 200 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815	Treasurer 0.50	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.
<b>Total</b> \$ 0. \$ 0. \$ 0.				

## Statement 5

Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 2a-d

## Application Submission Information

Name of Grant Program:

Name: HECLA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION  
 Care Of: CAROLYN TURNER  
 Street Address: 6500 N MINERAL DRIVE, STE 200  
 City, State, Zip Code: COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815  
 Telephone: (208) 769-4100  
 Form and Content: AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST  
 Submission Deadlines: NONE  
 Restrictions on Awards: GUIDELINES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

## Statement 6

Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 3a

## Recipient Paid During the Year

Name and Address	Donee Relationship	Found- ation Status	Purpose of Grant	Amount
JUNEAU SYMPHONY PO BOX 21236 JUNEAU, AK 99802		PUBLIC	Enhance musical opportunities and education in Juneau.	\$ 550.
PERSEVERANCE THEATRE 914 THIRD STREET DOUGLAS, AK 99824		PUBLIC	PERFORMING ARTS FUNDING	750.
WALLACE DISTRICT MINING MUSEUM, INC. 509 BANK STREET WALLACE, ID 83873		PUBLIC	HISTORICAL PRESERVATION AND EDUCATION	250.
ALASKA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 400 L STREET, SUITE 100 ANCHORAGE, AK 99901		PUBLIC	SCHOLARSHIPS FOR EDUCATION IN INDUSTRY	6,000.

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**Statement 6 (continued)**  
**Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 3a**  
**Recipient Paid During the Year**

Name and Address	Donee Relationship	Found- ation Status	Purpose of Grant	Amount
ALASKA DISCOVERY FOUNDATION PO BOX 21867 JUNEAU , AK 99802		PUBLIC	ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS	\$ 8,000.
HAYDEN LITTLE LEAGUE PO BOX 264 HAYDEN, ID 83835		PUBLIC	CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BASEBALL FIELDS	1,000.
KOOTZNOOWOO CULTURAL FOUNDATION 8585 OLD DAIRY ROAD, SUITE 201 JUNEAU, AK 99801		PUBLIC	CULTURAL PRESERVATION AND YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS	5,000.
MONTANA TECH FOUNDATION 1300 WEST PART STREET BUTTE, MT 59701		PUBLIC	FUND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MINING EDUCATION	18,000.
MULLAN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION PO BOX 472 MULLAN, ID 83846		PUBLIC	FUNDING FOR ROOF FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER	11,000.
UNIVERISTY OF ALASKA FOUNDATION 910 YUKON DR, BUTROVICH BLDG, #206 FAIRBANKS, AK 99775		PUBLIC	SCHOLARSHIPS IN MINING DISCIPLINES	18,000.
4-H STOCK SALE KOOTENAI CTY EXT 1808 N 3RD ST COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83814		PUBLIC	YOUTH AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS	5,240.
ALASKA MINERAL AND ENERGY EDUCATION FUND 4141 B STREET, SUITE 402 ANCHORAGE, AK 99503		PUBLIC	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION FOR NATURAL RESOURCES	2,000.
CAMP FIRE USA 524 N MULLAN ROAD SPOKANE VALLEY, WA 99206		PUBLIC	UPDATE FACILITIES AT SUMMER CAMP	2,000.
MULLAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 345 PARK AVENUE MULLAN , ID 83846		PUBLIC	ELEMENTARY READING PROGRAM	995.
UNITED WAY OF SOUTHEAST ALASKA PO BOX 20249 JUNEAU, AK 99802		PUBLIC	SUPPORT CRITICAL NEEDS IN COMMUNITY	2,000.

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**Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 3a**  
**Recipient Paid During the Year**

Name and Address	Donee Relationship	Found- ation Status	Purpose of Grant	Amount
CASTILLEJA SCHOOL FOUNDATION 1310 BRYANT STREET PALO ALTO , CA 94301		PUBLIC	SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION	\$ 1,000.
EXCEL FOUNDATION PO BOX 2469 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83816		PUBLIC	ADVANCED EDUCATION IN CDA SCHOOLS	1,000.
IDAHO FOOD BANK PO BOX 5601 BOISE , ID 83705		PUBLIC	MEALS FOR IDAHO RECIPIENTS	1,000.
THE GEORGE NETHERCUTT FOUNDATION 801 W RIVERSIDE AVE., SUITE 100 SPOKANE, WA 99201		PUBLIC	SUPPORT PUBLIC LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS	500.
SALVATION ARMY PO BOX 3057 RENO , NV 89512		PUBLIC	EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES	500.
UNITED WAY OF SOUTHEAST ALASKA PO BOX 20249 JUNEAU, AK 99802		PUBLIC	SUPPORT OF COMMUNITY NEEDS	3,000.
ADA RESEARCH FOUNDATION 1701 N BEAUREGARD STREET ALEXANDRIA, VA 22311		PUBLIC	DIABETIES RESEARCH	50.
ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL 3510 E 18TH AVENUE SPOKANE, WA 99223		PUBLIC	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION	1,000.
CHILDREN'S VILLAGE 1350 W HANLEY AVENUE COEUR D'ALENE , ID 83815		PUBLIC	FOSTER CARE FOR CHILDREN	50.
DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS PO BOX 5030 HAGERSTOWN , MD 21741		PUBLIC	MEDICAL SUPPORT TO REGIONS IN NEED	250.
GONZAGA PREPARATORY SCHOOL 1224 E EUCLID AVENUE SPOKANE, WA 99207		PUBLIC	SUPPORT FOR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS	10,000.
HUB YOUTH CENTER PO BOX 32000 JUNEAU, AK 99803		PUBLIC	FAITH BASED COMMUNITY CENTER	500.

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**Statement 6 (continued)**  
**Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 3a**  
**Recipient Paid During the Year**

Name and Address	Donee Relationship	Found- ation Status	Purpose of Grant	Amount
IDAHO FOOD BANK PO BOX 5601 BOISE, ID 83705		PUBLIC	SUPPORT IDAHO FOOD BANK PROGRAMS	\$ 3,000.
IDAHO METH PROJECT PO BOX 738 BOISE, ID 83701		PUBLIC	SUPPORT NORTH IDAHO BILLBOARD CAMPAIGN	2,500.
KELLOGG JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT 800 BUNKER AVENUE KELLOGG, ID 83837		PUBLIC	LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION ENHANCEMENTS	10,000.
LOOKOUT PASS FREE SKI SCHOOL PO BOX 983 WALLACE, ID 83873		PUBLIC	SKI LESSONS FOR CHILDREN	1,000.
OSBURN COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH C/O KEITH DAHLBERG, PO BOX 904 OSBURN, ID 83849		PUBLIC	CHURCH OPERATIONS	4,000.
RICE UNIVERSITY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT - MS83 HOUSTON, TX 77251		PUBLIC	EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS	1,500.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN MINERAL LAW FOUNDATION 9191 SHERIDAN BLVD #203 WESTMINSTER, CO 80031		PUBLIC	SUPPORT LEGAL EDUCATION FOR NATURAL RESOURCES	1,000.
SILVER VALLEY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 514 W BROWN KELLOGG, ID 83837		PUBLIC	SUPPORT ELEMENTARY EDUCATION	200.
SKYWAY ELEMENTARY 6621 COURCELLES PARKWAY COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815		PUBLIC	NEW BIKE RACK FOR STUDENTS	1,000.
SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVENUE MONTGOMERY, AL 36104		PUBLIC	SUPPORT LEGAL PROGRAMS	250.
THE GEORGE NETHERCUTT FOUNDATION 801 W RIVERSIDE, SUITE 100 SPOKANE, WA 99201		PUBLIC	CIVIC LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS	2,500.

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**Statement 6 (continued)**  
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**Recipient Paid During the Year**

Name and Address	Donee Relationship	Found- ation Status	Purpose of Grant	Amount
IDAHO GOVERNOR'S CUP SCHOLARSHIP FUND PO BOX 983 BOISE, ID 83701		PUBLIC	SCHOLARSHIPS TO IDAHO COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES	\$ 45,000.
UNITED WAY OF KOOTENAI COUNTY 501 E LAKESIDE AVE, SUITE 3 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83814		PUBLIC	COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM	12,114.
WALLACE SCHOOL DISTRICT 405 7TH STREET WALLACE, ID 83873		PUBLIC	YOUTH ENDOWMENT ACTIVITIES	10,000.
			Total	\$ <u>193,699.</u>

# Delaware

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*The First State*

I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF "HECLA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D. 2009, AT 6:40 O'CLOCK P.M.

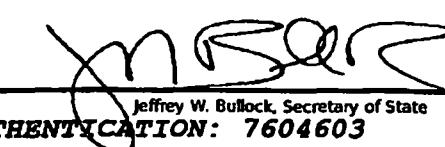
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Jeffrey W. Bullock, Secretary of State  
AUTHENTICATION: 7604603

DATE: 10-27-09

HECLA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION  
CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT  
OF  
CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

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HECLA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

**FIRST:** That the Board of Directors of Hecla Charitable Foundation (the "Corporation") by unanimous written consent, adopted a resolution proposing and declaring advisable the following amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation:

ARTICLE III.

Purposes

The purposes for which the Corporation is organized are to apply its income or property, or both, exclusively for charitable, scientific, literary, religious or educational purposes and to engage in such other activities which are exclusively in furtherance of these purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

**SECOND:** That, in lieu of a special meeting and vote of the sole member, the sole member has given written consent, dated as of October 26, 2009, and approved said amendment in accordance with the provisions of Section 228 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

**THIRD:** That the aforesaid amendment was duly adopted in accordance with the applicable provisions of Sections 141, 228, and 242 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused this Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation to be executed as of the 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2009.

HECLA MINING COMPANY

Its: Sole Member

By: James A. Sabala  
Name: James A. Sabala  
Title: Senior Vice President and CFO