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Public Records Division
The Federal Election Commission
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RE: FEC Form 3X for the April 15 Quarterly Report (I.D. No. COO 124016)

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a completed Form 3X for the Hecla Mining Company Political Action Fund for the April 15 Quarterly Report.

Also enclosed is FEC Form 1 designating Ms. Catherine L. Schaefer as Custodian of Records (Line 7) and Assistant Treasurer (Line 8). Additionally, please make note of the change in the mailing address (Line 1) and bank name (Line 9). All other aspects of the FEC Form 1 remain unchanged.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY
POLITICAL ACTION FUND

Stan E. Hilbert
Treasurer

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Enclosures

c: W. Booth
C. Schaefer



STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

[See reverse side for instructions]

1. (a) NAME OF COMMITTEE IN FULL <input type="checkbox"/> (Check if name is changed) Hecla Mining Company Political Action Fund	RECEIVED FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Mail Stop	2. DATE 2/5/98
(b) Number and Street Address <input type="checkbox"/> (Check if address is changed) 6500 Mineral Drive, 83815-8788		3. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER COO 124016
(c) City, State and ZIP Code Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815-8788 83815-8788	APR 13 11 26 AM '98	4. IS THIS STATEMENT AN AMENDMENT? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

5. TYPE OF COMMITTEE (Check one)

- (a) This committee is a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)
 - (b) This committee is an authorized committee, and is NOT a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)
- | Name of Candidate | Candidate Party Affiliation | Office Sought | State/District |
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- (c) This committee supports/opposes only one candidate _____ and is NOT an authorized committee. (name of candidate)
 - (d) This committee is a _____ committee of the _____ Party. (National, State or subordinate) (Democratic, Republican, etc.)
 - (e) This committee is a separate segregated fund.
 - (f) This committee supports/opposes more than one Federal candidate and is NOT a separate segregated fund or a party committee.

Name of Any Connected Organization or Affiliated Committee	Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Relationship
Hecla Mining Company	6500 Mineral Drive 83815-8788 Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815-8788 83815-8788	Connected

Type of Connected Organization
 Corporation Corporation w/o Capital Stock Labor Organization Membership Organization Trade Association Cooperative

7. Custodian of Records: Identify by name, address (phone number - optional) and position of the person in possession of committee books and records.

Full Name	Mailing Address	Title or Position
Catherine L. Schaefer	6500 Mineral Drive Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815-8788	Asst. Treasurer

8. Treasurer: List the name and address (phone number - optional) of the treasurer of the committee; and the name and address of any designated agent (e.g., assistant treasurer).

Full Name	Mailing Address	Title or Position
Stan E. Hilbert	6500 Mineral Drive Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815-8788	Treasurer
Catherine L. Schaefer	83815-8788	Assistant Treasurer

9. Banks or Other Depositories: List all banks or other depositories in which the committee deposits funds, holds accounts, rents safety deposit boxes or maintains funds.

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.	Mailing Address and ZIP Code
XXXXXXXXXX US BankCorp	Coeur d'Alene Office 302 Sherman Avenue Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

I certify that I have examined this Statement and in the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.


TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF TREASURER Stan E. Hilbert	SIGNATURE OF TREASURER 	DATE 2/5/98
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*NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Statement to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. §437g. ANY CHANGE IN INFORMATION SHOULD BE REPORTED WITHIN 10 DAYS.

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