Hecla Greens Creek Mine

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Cautionary Statements to Investors on Reserves and Resources

The United States Securities and Exchange Commission permits mining companies, in their filings with the SEC, to disclose only those mineral deposits that a company can economically and legally extract or produce. We use certain terms on this release, such as “resource,” “other resources,” and “mineralized materials” that the SEC guidelines strictly prohibit us from including in our filings with the SEC. U.S. investors are urged to consider closely the disclosure in our Form 10-K and Form 10-Q. You can review and obtain copies of these filings from the SEC’s website at www.sec.gov.

Cautionary Note Regarding Non-GAAP measures

Total cash cost per ounce of silver and earnings before adjustments represent non-U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) measurements. A reconciliation of total cash cost to cost of sales and other direct production costs and depreciation, depletion and amortization (GAAP) can be found in the Appendix.
Hecla: 120 Years of Mining
Greens Creek: At a Glance

- High-grade polymetallic ore body
- U.G. mine & concentrator, market products world-wide
- Power plant & intertie, dry stacked tailings, water treatment, camp, and port facilities
- Small footprint currently 350 acres (45% of that is road)
- Production target 2200 tons ore per day
- Operating for 24+ years, 10 years reserve, history of replacing reserves
- 390 employees + Largest private employer in Juneau
Historic Highlights

- 1975 – Initial discovery
- 1978 - Admiralty Island National Monument created
- 1980 - ANILCA
- 1987 – Pre-production and development
- 1989 – Full production
- 1993 – Operations suspended
- 1996 – Land Exchange
- 1996 – Operations resume
- 2008 – Hecla assumes 100% control of Greens Creek

NEARLY 35 YEARS OF GREENS CREEK ACTIVITIES ON ADMIRALTY ISLAND
Production and Reserves

Total Mine Production through 2012:

> 13 Million Tons of Ore
> 231 Million Ounces of Silver
> 1.9 Million Ounces of Gold
> 2.8 Billion Pounds of Zinc
> 1.1 Billion Pounds of Lead

2012 Reserve Estimate

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Facilities Layout

- Hawk Inlet Marine Terminal (Cannery)
- Tailings Facility
- "B" Road
- Auke Bay
- Juneau
- Douglas Island
- Young Bay
- "A" Road
- Admiralty Island
- 920 Portal Site

HECLA MINING COMPANY
920 Mine Site and Portal
Hauling Products and Tailings
Hawk Inlet Port Facility
Dry Stacked Tailings Facility
**NEPA Schedule: Key Dates**

- **Public and agency scoping**: October 2010
- **Issues and alternatives identified**: December 2010
- **Draft EIS released to public**: April 2012
- **Receive & analyze comments**: May-Aug 2012
- **Final EIS & ROD release to public**: September 2013
- **Commence final design, permitting and construction**
2013 Record of Decision

- Forest Supervisor has stated:
  - Expansion of the existing facility by 18 acres will be allowed
  - Expansion will support 10 more years of operation.
  - This is a short term decision that:
    - Allows time to gather and analyze additional information, to thoroughly consider all feasible ways to provide additional tailings disposal capacity, and to clearly and convincingly document such consideration through future NEPA processes.
Regional Benefits

- 390 employees + 350 more jobs attributable to mine
- $54 million in pay and benefits
- > $1.42 million in local property taxes
- More than $27 million in goods & services purchased from Alaska businesses and organizations
- Community involvement, including a demonstrated commitment to grow a local workforce
- Culture of environmental responsibility
- Commitment to safety & health
Workforce Development

- $300k Gift in 2011
- Long Term Investment in People and Community
- Student attendance tripled from Year 1 to Year 2
- 14 Students under scholarship in UAS Diesel Program
- Six Summer Interns in 2013
- Highly impressive group – all “ready for work”
Thank You!

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