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United States Environmental Protection Agency
Clerk of the Board
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607 14th Street, NW, Suite 500
Washington, DC 20005

**RE: IN THE MATTER OF HECLA MINING COMPANY – LUCKY FRIDAY MINE
NPDES Permit No. ID-000017-5**

Dear Clerk of the Board:

Enclosed is Hecla Mining Company's Petition for Review, Memorandum in support thereof, and Exhibits A – P. Because the Exhibits are over 30 pages we have provided three copies per the Environmental Appeals Board Practice Manual.

Identical duplicate packages have been sent via UPS and Federal Express to ensure timely delivery.

The original signature pages for Mr. Dexter and Mr. Tridle referenced in Exhibits K and N will be forwarded under separate cover. Faxed copies are provided.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kevin J. Beaton".

Kevin J. Beaton

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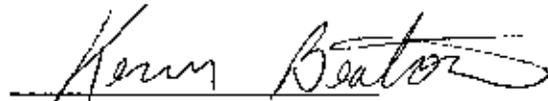
Enclosures

cc: Mike Dexter (w/o encs.)
Dave Holland (w/o encs.)
Bob Tridle (w/o encs.)
John Galbavy (w/o encs.)

Dated this 10th day of September, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

STOEL RIVES LLP

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kevin Beaton", written over a horizontal line.

Kevin J. Beaton

Attorneys for Hecla Mining Company

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the Petition for Review was served on this 10th day of September, 2003 as follows:

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