

# Hecla Increases Silver-linked Dividend and Lowers Silver Trigger

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Silver price threshold lowered to \$20 and silver-linked dividend increased 33% at \$25

[Hecla Mining Company](#) ("Hecla")(NYSE:HL) is pleased to announce that its Board of Directors is adding one cent for the silver-linked dividend starting at a new, lower quarterly average realized silver price of \$20. The policy increases the quarterly dividend by 33% at \$25 realized silver price threshold.

"Our further enhanced dividend policy reflects Hecla's strong free cash flow generation from the United States' largest and lowest cost silver mines that produce more than 40% of all the silver mined in the United States," said Hecla's President and Chief Executive Officer, Phillips S. Baker, Jr. "Hecla has consistently paid dividends since 2010 and has enhanced the policy three times in the last 12 months. Hecla's dividend policy has the industry's only silver-linked dividend providing sustainable returns to our shareholders and demonstrates our operational and financial discipline. And with the new policy shareholders receive a silver-linked dividend at a lower silver price and get a third more dividends at \$25 silver."

The table below provides an overview of the enhanced silver-linked dividend with a lower silver-linked price threshold.

Quarterly Average Realized Silver Price	Quarterly Silver-Linked Dividend	Annualized Silver-Linked Dividend	Annualized
\$20	\$0.0025	\$0.1	\$0.15
\$25	\$0.1	\$0.4	\$0.15
\$30	\$0.15	\$0.6	\$0.15
\$35	\$0.25	\$1.0	\$0.15
\$40	\$0.35	\$1.4	\$0.15
\$45	\$0.45	\$1.8	\$0.15
\$50	\$0.55	\$2.2	\$0.15

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## ABOUT HECLA

Founded in 1891, [Hecla Mining Company](#) (NYSE:HL) is the largest silver producer in the United States. In addition to operating mines in Alaska, Idaho and Quebec, Canada, the Company owns a number of exploration properties and pre-development projects in world-class silver and gold mining districts throughout North America.

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