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# News Release

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## **HECLA MINING CEO JOINS QUESTAR BOARD**

SALT LAKE CITY — Questar Corp. (NYSE:STR) today announced the appointment of Phillips S. Baker, Jr., president and chief executive officer of Hecla Mining Co., to its Board of Directors.

Baker, 44, has been president and CEO of Hecla since 2003 and previously served as president, chief financial officer (CFO), chief operating officer, and vice president of the company. He also served as CFO with Battle Mountain Gold Co. and Pegasus Gold, Inc. Baker will fill a vacant seat on the 13-member Questar Board with a term that expires in 2005.

Baker received Master of Business Administration and law degrees from the University of Houston.

Hecla Mining Co. – headquartered in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho – explores for and mines gold, silver, lead and zinc from mines in Alaska, Idaho, Mexico and Venezuela.

Questar Chairman and CEO Keith O. Rattie said: “Phil helps make our already-strong board even stronger. It’s not easy to find people of his caliber – a sitting CEO of a New York Stock Exchange-listed company with prior CFO experience – willing to take on the additional burden of board service in today’s governance climate.”

Questar is an integrated natural gas company with \$4.0 billion in enterprise value. Headquartered in Salt Lake City, Questar engages in gas and oil development and production; gas gathering, processing and marketing; interstate gas transmission and storage; and retail gas distribution.

Detailed financial and operating statements are available on Questar's Web site at [www.questar.com](http://www.questar.com).

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