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Despite lower copper sales volumes, operating profit was $\$ 12$-million, compared with the profit of $\$ 6$-million a year ago. The higher profit was due mainly to a higher realized copper price and to higher by-product credits resulting from higher mo-- i)


## Williams

Tonnes milled
(thousands)
2002

789
2001

Grade (g/t)
Mill recovery
(per cent)
Gold production
(thousands
of ounces)
132.8

Company's
50-per-cent
share of
operating
profit
(in millions
of dollars)
David Bell
100 per cent

| Tonnes milled <br> (thousands) | 107 | 124 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Grade (g/t) | 10.2 | 13.2 |
| Mill recovery <br> (per cent) | 95.4 | 93.9 |
| Gold production <br> (thousands ounces) | 33.5 | 49.6 |

Company's
50-per-cent share
of operating
profit
(in millions
in dollars) $\quad \$ \quad 1 \quad \$ \quad 4$
Hemlo Mines
(50 per cent)

Year ended Dec.
Williams

| Tonnes milled <br> (thousands) | 2002 | 2001 |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Grade (g/t) | 3,029 | 3,038 |
| Mill recovery <br> (per cent) | 4.4 | 4.9 |

Gold production 2003.
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(thousands of ounces)

Company's
50 -per-cent
share of
operating
profit
(in millions
of dollars)
David Bell
100 per cent
Tonnes milled
(thousands)
Grade ( $\mathrm{g} / \mathrm{t}$ )
Mill recovery
(per cent)
Gold production
(thousands ounces)
Company's
50-per-cent share
of operating
profit
(in millions
bue qauin dollars)
405.1
445.8

> Elkview Mine
> (100 per cent)

Years ended Dec. 31


Coal production of 1.29 million tonnes in the fourth quarter was lower than a year ago, due to a plammed maintenance shutdown in October. The lower operating profit in the fourth quarter, compared with a year ago was mainly due to lower sales as a result of delayed coal shipments. the fourth quarter compared with the previous three quarters due to the mining of higher-grade stopes. The mine continues to address the ground stability problems experienced in the first half of the year and significant improvements have been made. The construction of a paste-backfill system, which will improve underground mining efficiency and help stabilize ground conditions, is under way and expected to be commissioned in the second quarter of

Fourth quarter production at the David Bell mine was affected by restrictions in accessing the high-grade stopes caused by ongoing mine rehabilitation work.

The average cash operating cost for the Hemlo operations was $\$ 180$ (U.S.) per ounce in the fourth quarter, compared with $\$ 157$ (U.S.) per ounce a year ago, and $\$ 222$ (U.S.) per ounce in the year, compared with $\$ 187$ (U.S.) per ounce in 2001.


Three months ended Dec. 31

| Waste mined <br> (thousands bcm) | 2002 | 2001 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Raw coal mined <br> (thousands of <br> tonnes) | 10,730 | 10,633 |
| Strip ratio | 1,912 | 2,278 |
| Plant yield <br> (per cent) | 8.3 | 7.2 |
| Coal production <br> (thousands tonnes) | 1,294 | 1,481 |
| Coal sales <br> (thousands tonnes) | 1,276 | 1,452 |
| Operating profit <br> (in millions <br> of dollars) | 19 | 21.7 |

