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Minnesota Mining Up ST. PAUL, Jan. 25 (AP) - The Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company said today that its profit rose 7.9 percent in the fourth quarter and climbed 6 percent in all of 1983.

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For the three months ended Dec. 31, earnings rose to \$163 million, or \$1.39 a share, from \$151 million, or \$1.28 a share, in the same period a year earlier.

Profit for all of 1983 rose to \$667 million, or \$5.67 a share, from \$631 million, or \$5.37, in 1982.

Worldwide sales climbed to \$1.8 billion in the fourth quarter from \$1.6 billion a year earlier. For the full year, revenue increased to \$7 billion, from \$6.6 billion.

Lewis W. Lehr, chairman and chief executive officer, said a strong dollar, which made it more difficult to compete in world markets, kept profit from rising even faster.

The company estimated that profit was reduced by \$7 million in the fourth quarter and by about \$48 million for the entire year because of foreign currency fluctuations.

The company makes copying machines, Scotch brand recording tape, adhesives, coatings, microfilm systems and photographic film and chemicals.

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