

CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

Reported by **ELDRIDGE BARRY J**

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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Symbol CLF

SIC Code 1000 - Metal Mining

Industry Metal Mining
Sector Basic Materials

Fiscal Year 12/31



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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *				*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
Eldridge Bar	rv J				CLE	VELA	ND CI	I	FFS I	NC		F]					
			3	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)							Y)	X Direc	ctor		10% (Owner	
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1100 SUPERI	IOR AV	ENU	JE, 15T	H			7/15	/2	2008				below)				
FLOOR			,														
(Street)												6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
CLEVELAN	D, OH 4	4114	1														
(City) (State) (Zip)				-							X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
		Tab	ole I - Nor	ı-Deri	vativ	e Securi	ties Acq	ui	red, Di	spo	sed of,	or B	eneficially	y Owned	[
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. T		2A. Deemed Execution							Amount of Securities Beneficially vned Following Reported Transaction(s)			Ownership of Ir	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
						Date, if any			(Instr. 3,		d 5)	(Insti	r. 3 and 4)			Direct (D) or Indirect	Ownership (Instr. 4)
						any	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price					(I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock				7/15	5/2008		A (1)		12.9758	A	\$115.60		87	25.2327		D	
Tab	ole II - De	rivati	ive Securi	ities B	enefi	cially O	wned (e	.g.	, puts,	cal	lls, war	rant	s, options	, convert	ible secur	ities)	
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Trans.	Execution	4. Frans. Code (Instr. 8)	Deriva Securi Acqui Dispo		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date			Sec De	7. Title and Amou Securities Underly Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		ing Deri Secu	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiratior Date	Tit	Amour Shares		lumber of		Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	(4)	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Reflects number of Common Shares credited to the account of the Reporting Person under the Nonemployee Directors' Compensation Plan for meeting fees. Full shares earned in 2008 will be issued effective January 2, 2009.

Reporting Owners

Paparting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Eldridge Barry J 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE 15TH FLOOR CLEVELAND, OH 44114	X							

Signatures

George W. Hawk, Jr. by Power of Attorney

7/17/2008

^{**} Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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