

CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

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FORM 3

(Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership)

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Person * Statement (MM/DD/YY		•						•	INC. [CLF]	
(Last) (First) (Middle)	4. Relation	ship of Rep	Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
1100 SUPERIOR	Directo	г	10% Owner							
AVENUE, SUITE 1500	X Off SVP Glob		er (specif	y below)						
(Street) CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2544	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip)										
	Table I - N	on-Derivat	tive S	ecurities Bene	ficially	Owned	ì			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)		Benefic	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Common Stock			10652 (1)			D				
Common Stock			537 (2)			I I		By VNQDC		
Table II - Derivative Securi	ities Benefic	cially Own	ed (<i>e</i> .	g. , puts, calls,	, warra	nts, op	tions,	, convertible	e securities)	
(Instr. 4) and E		Date Exercisable d Expiration Date M/DD/YYYY)		3. Title and Amount Securities Underlyin Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		or Exe Price of Deriva Securi		Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
		Expiration Date	Title	Title Amount or Nu of Shares				or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The total includes 6,972 directly held common shares and 600, 2050 and 1030 outstanding restricted share units from the 2008, 2009 and 2010 Performance Share grants, respectively, acquired pursuant to the Cliffs Natural Resources 2007 Incentive Equity Plan.
- (2) Held for the benefit of the Reporting Person by the Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. 2005 Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan (VNQDC).

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer		Other	

Mee Terrence R 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE SUITE 1500	SVP Global Iron Ore & Metallic	
CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2544		

Signatures

Gina K. Gunning by Power of Attorney

2/7/2011

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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 5(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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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints P. Kelly Tompkins, Gina K. Gunning, James D. Graham, Madeline Costanzo, and Keirsten Riedel and each of them, as the true and lawful attorney or attorneys-in-fact, with full power of substitution and revocation, for the undersigned and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned, in any and all capacities, to execute, on behalf of the undersigned any and all statements or reports considered necessary or advisable under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time ("Exchange Act") with respect to the beneficial ownership of shares of Common Stock, par value \$.125 per share, of Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. ("Company"), including, without limitation, all initial statements of beneficial ownership on Form 3; all statements of changes in beneficial ownership on Form 4; all annual statements of beneficial ownership on Form 5; and all notices of proposed sale of securities on Form 144; and any and all other documents that may be required, from time to time, to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, to execute any and all amendments or supplements to any such statements or forms, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting to said attorney or attorneys-in-fact, and each of them, full power and authority to do so and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney or attorneys-in-fact or any of them or their substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

The undersigned acknowledges that neither the Company nor such attorney-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act. This Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act, including without limitation the reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect as long as the undersigned is subject to the reporting requirements of Section 16 with respect to the undersigned's holdings and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 2nd day of February, 2011.

/s/ Terrence R. Mee Terrence R. Mee Officer