

CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

Reported by KIRSCH JAMES F

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	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Rela (Check									onship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ill applicable)			
Kirsch James F					CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC. [CLF]								X Director 10% Owner				
(Last)	(First)	(Mi	ddle)	3	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)							Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)					
119 SUN STREET							7	/9/	2013	3							
(Street)				4 (N	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
ROSCOMMON, MI 48653													X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)					Form filed by More than Or												
		Table	I - Non-	Deriv	ativ	e Securiti	ies A	cq	uired	l, Dis	spose	d of, or l	Beneficially	y Owned			
			2. Tr Date	ans.	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		Acquired (A) or		Following Reported T (Instr. 3 and 4)		es Beneficially Owned ransaction(s)		Ownership Form: Direct (D)	Beneficial Ownership		
						any	Coo	de	V Am		(A) or (D) Pr	ice				or Indirect (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Shares													1949.3930			D	
Tabl	le II - Dei	rivative	Securiti	ies Be	nefi	icially Ow	ned	(e.	.g. , p	outs,	calls	, warran	ts, options,	convert	ible secur	rities)	
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		Deemed	Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date				7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			of derivative Securities		Beneficial
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe	te ercisabl		piration te	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Reported	(I) (Instr.	
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	7/9/2013		A	-	45760.0000 (2)		1/2	2/2014	1/2	2/2014	Common Shares	45760.0000	\$0.0000	45760.0000	D	
Stock Units	(3)								(4)		(4)	Common Shares	8196.8372		8196.8372	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Each unit of Phantom Stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. Common Shares (the "Common Shares").
- (2) Reflects the number of Phantom Stock Units granted to the Reporting Person as a Non-Executive Chairman Grant on July 9, 2013.
- (3) Convertible into Common Shares on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (4) Reflects number of Common Shares of underlying deferred compensation credited to the account of the Reporting Person in payment of the Reporting Person's required quarterly retainer under the Plan. Each Stock unit is generally distributable following termination of service as a Director.

Reporting Owners

Paparting Owner Name / Address	Relationships								
Reporting Owner Name / Addres	Director	10%	Owner	Officer	Other				
Kirsch James F									
119 SUN STREET	X								
ROSCOMMON, MI 48653									

Signatures

/s/ James D. Graham by Power of Attorney

7/11/2013

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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