

# CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

# Reported by **ELDRIDGE BARRY J**

## FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *												(Check all	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
Eldridge Barı	ry J				CLI	EVELA	ND (	CI	LIFFS II	<b>VC</b>	[ CL	F]				
(Last) (First) (Middle)				3	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)							Y) X _ Dire	X Director 10% Owner			
													Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE, 15TH					7/1/2008							below)				
FLOOR			,													
(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
CLEVELAND, OH 44114																
(City) (State) (Zip)													X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																
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						any	Code	V	Amount (A		Price				Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock				7/1/2	2008		<b>A</b> (1)		108.1315 A	\$11	15.60	8647	7.378 <sup>(2)</sup>		D	
Tab	ole II - De	rivati	ive Securi	ties B	enef	icially O	wned	( e	.g. , puts,	call	ls, war	rants, options	, convert	ible secur	ities)	
			Deemed T Execution C Date, if	Trans. Code Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities 3) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		and Expiration Date			7. Title and Amou Securities Underly Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		nderlying ecurity	(Instr. 5)	of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	(A)	(D)		sab	le Date	Title	Shares			(s) (Instr. 4)		

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) Reflects number of Common Shares credited to the account of the Reporting Person in payment of the Reporting Person's Quarterly Retainer for the third quarter of 2008 under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Nonemployee Directors Compensation Plan. Full shares earned in 2008 will be issued effective January 2, 2009.
- (2) On May 13, 2008, the Company declared a dividend of \$.0875 per share, payable to all holders of record as of May 23, 2008 of common stock payable on June 2, 2008. The amount shown reflects 2.1895 shares credited to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Company's Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.

**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							

George W. Hawk, Jr. by Power of Attorney

7/2/2008

\*\* 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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#### LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints George W. Hawk, Jr., Traci L. Forrester, Nancy Watts 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 Cleveland-Cliffs 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 28th day of May, 2008.

/s/ Barry J. Eldridge Director