

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
IRELAND JAMES D III

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1801 EAST 9TH STREET, SUITE 1700

(Street)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/09/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 05/09/2006 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 327 A \$ 99.38 | 7,804 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 90,398 | I | Co-Trustee (2) |

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Stock Units | (3) | | | | | (4) (4) | Common Shares | 5,631.9106 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| IRELAND JAMES D III 1801 EAST 9TH STREET SUITE 1700 CLEVELAND, OH 44114 | X | | | |

Signatures

George W. Hawk, Jr. by Power of Attorney
Date: 05/10/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- Reflects the number of Restricted Shares credited to the account of the Reporting Person on the Annual Meeting date, May 9, 2006
- (1) (Annual Equity Grant) pursuant to the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Non-employee Directors' Compensation Plan (as Amended and Restated January 1, 2005)("Plan").
Shares are held in five trusts for the benefit of siblings and the Reporting Person who is a co-trustee of the trusts. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of 66,973.50 of these shares. The Reporting Person has an interest in the income or corpus with respect to 23,424.50 shares.
 - (2) Convertible into Common Shares on a 1-for-1 basis.
 - (3) Reflects number of Common Shares of underlying deferred compensation credited to the account of the Reporting Person pursuant to the Plan. Each Stock Unit is generally distributable following termination of service as a Director.
 - (4) The total includes dividend reinvestment pursuant to the Nonemployee Directors' Compensation Plan (as Amended and Restated January 1, 2005) ("Plan"). The number of deferred dividend reinvestment equivalent shares earned in the Plan is calculated using the closing market price at the end of each quarter for shares held in the Plan. The reporting person was credited with 12.8995 dividend reinvestment shares on 3/31/2006.

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