FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)														
Name and Address of Reporting Person * Stoliar Gabriel			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC. [CLF]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 3300			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2017													
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Т	able I	- Non	-Deri	vative	Securities	s Acqu	iired, Disp	osed of, or l	Beneficially	Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea			2A. Deemed Execution Date, i any (Month/Day/Year		if Code (Instr. 8)		(A) or Disposed		of	Beneficial Reported	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Direct (D)	Beneficial Ownership		
						(Code	V	Amou	(A) or (D)	Price				or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common	Shares		01/02/2017				A		2,973 (1)		\$ 8.41	101,854			D	
Common Shares 01/02/2017					F		892	<u>2)</u> D	\$ 8.41	100,962			D			
Reminder:	Report on a s	separate line fo	r each class of secur	ities bene	eficially o	wned	[Perso conta	ons whained i	no respo n this fo	rm ar	e not requ		formation spond unle trol numbe	ss	1474 (9-02)
			Table II - I													
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y)		3A. Deemed Execution Date Year) any	e.g., puts, calls, warrants, 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Fear) Fea		ber vative rities pired or osed 0)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. T Am Und Section (Ins 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Amount or Number		9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Owners. Form of Derivati Security Direct (or Indire	Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4) D)				
				С	ode V	(A)	(D)					of Shares				

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Stoliar Gabriel 200 PUBLIC SQUARE SUITE 3300 CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2315	X						

Signatures

/s/ James D. Graham by Power of Attorney	01/04/2017

**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 common shares issued to the Reporting Person in payment of the Reporting Person's quarterly retainer in lieu of cash for the first quarter pursuant to (1) the Reporting Person's election to participate in the Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. Nonemployee Director Retainer Share Election Program. The Reporting Person elected to participate in the Retainer Election Program at 100%.
- (2) Surrender of shares in payment of tax liability in connection with the Reporting Person's participation in the Retainer Election Program.

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