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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 [*] – Eldridge Barry J | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF] | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | |
| (Last) (F 1100 SUPERIOR AVE | ^{virst)} ENUE, 1 | (Middle) 5TH FLOOR | 3. Date of Earliest 04/03/2006 | t Transactio | on (N | 10nth/Day/Y | Year) | | Officer (give title below) | Other (specify b | elow) | |
| (SI CLEVELAND, OH 44 | 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 | | | | | |
| (City) (S | State) | (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | tion Date, if Code (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | Ownership Form: | Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| Common Stock | | 04/03/2006 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | · | 65.2836 | ~ / | \$ 87.12 | 648.0345 | D | | |

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction | 3A. Deemed | 4. | | 5. | | 6. Date Exer | cisable | 7. Tit | le and | 8. Price of | 9. Number of | 10. | 11. Nature |
| Derivative | Conversion | Date | Execution Date, if | Transacti | ion | Numl | ber | and Expirati | on Date | Amou | unt of | Derivative | Derivative | Ownership | of Indirect |
| Security | or Exercise | (Month/Day/Year) | any | Code | | of | | (Month/Day | /Year) | Unde | rlying | Security | Securities | Form of | Beneficial |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | | Deriv | ative | | | Secur | rities | (Instr. 5) | Beneficially | Derivative | Ownership |
| | Derivative | | | | | Secur | | | | (Instr | . 3 and | | | ~ | (Instr. 4) |
| | Security | | | | | Acqu | ired | | | 4) | | | 0 | Direct (D) | |
| | | | | | | (A) 0 | | | | | | | - F | or Indirect | |
| | | | | | | Dispo | | | | | | | Transaction(s) | < / . | |
| | | | | | | of (D | · | | | | | | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | (Instr | · · · · | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | 4, and | 15) | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | Amount | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Date | Expiration | | or | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Exercisable | * | Title | Number | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Excicisable | Date | | of | | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | | | | Shares | | | | |

Reporting Owners

| | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Eldridge Barry J 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE 15TH FLOOR CLEVELAND, OH 44114 | Х | | | | | | |

Signatures

George W. Hawk, Jr. by Power of Attorney 04/05/2006 Date **Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- (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 second quarter of 2006 under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Nonemployee Directors Compensation Plan. Full shares earned in 2006 will be issued effective January 2, 2007.

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