### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Typ	e Responses)																	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEROUX ROBERT J				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2008								X	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Vice President- Finance					
(Street)				4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							r)	_X_	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
CLEVEL. (City)	AND, OH	(State)	(Zip)															
		· · ·					Ta	ble I -	Non-D	erivat	ive Secu	ities Acq				neficially Ov	vned	
(Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		(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)			Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
			(Wollin Bay Tear)		.)	Code	V	Amo	(A) o		(11	(iiisti. 3 and 4)			or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
Common	Stock		02/26/2008					A <sup>(1)</sup>		4,12	1 A	\$ 119.70	6 12	2,159			D	
Common Stock 02/26/20		02/26/2008					F(2)		1,31	6 D	\$ 119.70	6 10	10,843			D		
Common Stock												5,	5,066		I	By VNQDC		
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			Table II -									ecurities)	ny O	wiieu				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. 3. Transact Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date any (Month/Day/Y	e, if Transaction Code (ear) (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)		of Und Securit	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Owners Form o Derivat Securit Direct or India	ive Ownersh y: (Instr. 4) (D) rect		
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci		Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares				
Retention Units 2005- 2007	(4)	02/26/2008	3		D			540	C	5)	(5)	Comr Shar		540	\$ 100.8	0	D	

#### **Reporting Owners**

D 41 0 N 1	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LEROUX ROBERT J 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44114			Vice President- Finance					

## **Signatures**

Traci L. Forrester by Power of Attorney	02/26/2008	
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).
- (1) Reflects a payout in Common Stock of Performance Shares earned under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc 1992 Incentive Equity Plan (as Amended and Restated as of May 13, 1997) as amended ("1992 Equity Plan"), for the 2005-2007 Performance Period.
- (2) Surrender of Performance Shares represented in footnote (1) in payment of the related tax liability incurred by the reporting person.
- (3) Held for the benefit of the Reporting Person by the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan (VNQDC).
- (4) Each Retention Unit represents the value of one Common Share of the Company.
- (5) Retention Units granted to Reporting Person under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Long-Term Incentive Program covering the period of January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2007 (Retention Period). Retention units were paid out to the Reporting Person in cash based on the market value price of the Common Shares of the Issuer on the last day of the Retention Period.

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