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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting I SCHWARTZ ALAN G	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC. [CLF]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) 			
(Last) (First) YALE LAW SCHOOL, 127	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2009									
(Street) NEW HAVEN, CT 06520	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) (State)	(Zip)	Т	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	v	4. Securities or Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 a Amount	of (D)	~ /	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock	07/01/2009		A <mark>(1)</mark>		185.4905	A	\$ 24.26	23,539.2087 (2)	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	Transactio	on	Numl	ber	and Expirati	on Date	Amo	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	ities			(Instr	. 3 and		Owned	Security:	(Instr. 4)
	Security					Acqu	ired			4)			Following	Direct (D)	
						(A) o	r						Reported	or Indirect	
						Dispo	osed						Transaction(s)	(I)	
						of (D)						(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
						(Instr									
						4, and	15)								
											Amount				
								Data	Emination		or				
								Date Exercisable	Expiration	Title	Number				
								Exercisable	Date		of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)				Shares				

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SCHWARTZ ALAN G YALE LAW SCHOOL 127 WALL STREET NEW HAVEN, CT 06520	Х							

Signatures

 George W. Hawk, Jr. by Power of Attorney
 07/02/2009

 **Signature of Reporting Person
 Date

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- * 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 number of Common Shares credited to the account of the Reporting Person in payment of the Reporting Person's Required Quarterly Retainer for the third quarter of (1) 2009 under the Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. Nonemployee Directors Compensation Plan (As Amended and Restated December 31, 2008). Full shares earned in 2009 will be issued effective January 2, 2010.
- The Board of Directors of Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. (the "Company") declared a dividend of \$.04 per share, payable to all holders of record as of May 22, 2009 of (2) common stock payable on June 1, 2009. The amount shown reflects 28.9010 dividend reinvestment shares credited to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Company's Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.

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