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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] 2. Date of Event Requ Williams Colin Grant 01/27/2011		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC. [CLF]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 3300	01/2//2011	Issuer	f Reporting Person	n(s) to	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
(Street) CLEVELAND, OH 44114		(Check all applicable)			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)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Se Beneficially Ow (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Natur (Instr. 5	e of Indirect Beneficial Ownership)		

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	and Expiration Date		(Instr. 4)		or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security: Direct Security (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Retention Units 2010-2012	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Shares	1,250	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	

Reporting Owners

Beneuting Owner Name /	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Williams Colin Grant 200 PUBLIC SQUARE SUITE 3300 CLEVELAND, OH 44114			VP, Asia Pacific Iron Ore			

Signatures

/s/ Gina K. Gunning by Power of Attorney

**Signature of Reporting Person

02/09/2011 Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

The number represents a grant of Retention Units to the Reporting Person under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc 2007 Incentive Equity Plan (Plan) covering the period January 1,
(1) 2010 through December 31, 2012 (Incentive Period). Payment of the Retention Units is made in cash after the completion of the Incentive Period based upon the employment of the Reporting Person and the market value of the Company's shares at the end of the Incentive Period pursuant to the Plan.

(2) Convertible into Common Share value on a 1-for-1 basis.

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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints P. Kelly Tompkins, Gina K. Gunning, James D. Graham, Madeline Costanzo, and Keirsten Riedel and each of them, as the true and lawful attorney or attorneys-in-fact, with full power of substitution and revocation, for the undersigned and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned, in any and all capacities, to execute, on behalf of the undersigned any and all statements or reports considered necessary or advisable under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time ("Exchange Act") with respect to the beneficial ownership of shares of Common Stock, par value \$.125 per share, of Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. ("Company"), including, without limitation, all initial statements of beneficial ownership on Form 3; all statements of changes in beneficial ownership on Form 4; all annual statements of beneficial ownership on Form 5; and all notices of proposed sale of securities on Form 144; and any and all other documents that may be required, from time to time, to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, to execute any and all amendments or supplements to any such statements or forms, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting to said attorney or attorneys-in-fact, and each of them, full power and authority to do so and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney or attorneys-in-fact or any of them or their substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

The undersigned acknowledges that neither the Company nor such attorney-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act. This Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act, including without limitation the reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect as long as the undersigned is subject to the reporting requirements of Section 16 with respect to the undersigned's holdings and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 9th day of February, 2011.

/s/ Colin Williams

Colin Williams Officer