# FORM 4

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PHILLIPS ROGER			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) ARMOUR ROAD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/17/2011											
(Street) REGINA, A9 S4P 3C7			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)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned					Owned					
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	f Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquir (A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		f (D)	Beneficial	nt of Securities ally Owned Following Transaction(s)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
				(Monta Buy) 1 car)	Code	V A	mount	(A) or (D)	Price	(mon. 5 da			\ /	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock			05/17/2011		A <sup>(1)</sup>	92	25	A S	\$ 0	39,659.4616			D	
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### **Reporting Owners**

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PHILLIPS ROGER ARMOUR ROAD REGINA, A9 S4P 3C7	X					

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Gina K. Gunning by Power of Attorney	05/19/2011
**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 the number of Common Shares granted to the Reporting Person >69 years of age as the Annual Equity Grant on May 17, 2011, the date of the Annual Meeting of Shareholders pursuant to the Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Compensation Plan.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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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  $8 \, \text{th}$  day of March, 2011.

/s/ Roger Phillips Roger Phillips Director