FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)																		
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHWARTZ ALAN G				CL	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							
					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/03/2011															
(Street) NEW HAVEN, CT 06520				4. If	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 Acqu							Acqui	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		,	Code (Instr. 8)		tion	on 4. Securities Acquir (A) or Disposed of ((Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		(D) Benefic Reporte		ount of Securities icially Owned Following ted Transaction(s) 3 and 4)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	of India Benefic	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
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Common	Stock		10/03	3/2011				Α <mark>(</mark>	1)		124.22	36 A	2	\$ 48.3	19,493.	7739 (2)		D		
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Derivative Security	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		y/Year)	Execution Da	tre, if Transaction Code Year) (Instr. 8))			and (M	and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			Amo Unde Secu	unt of erlying		Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Owner Form of Deriva Securit Direct or Indi	ship of I Bentive Ow (Inst	of Indirect Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4)
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Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ P. Kelly Tompkins by Power of Attorney	10/05/2011	
**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 number of Common Shares credited to the account of the Reporting Person in payment of the Reporting Person's required quarterly retainer for the fourth quarter under the Cliffs Natural Resources Inc Nonemployee Directors' Compensation Plan. Full shares earned pursuant to the Plan in 2011 will be issued effective January 2, 2012.
- (2) The Board of Directors of Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. declared dividends of \$ 0.28 per share, payable to all holders of record as of August 15, 2011. The amount shown reflects 65.0506 shares credited on September 1, 2011 to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.

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