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### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Cheverine Carolyn	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)  01/15/2013			3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC. [CLF]			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 3300			Issuer	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  Director X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  GC - Corp. Affairs & Secretary		endment, Date Original th/Day/Year)	
(Street) CLEVELAND, OH 44114						Director X Officer (give tit below)	lual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Line) lled by One Reporting Person led 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 Own (Instr. 4)		Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock 1		1,	1,045		D		
Common Stock 2		27	270		I	By VNQDC (1)	
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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)  2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		n Date		nd Amount of Underlying Derivativ	Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners							

Panarting Owner Name /	Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Cheverine Carolyn 200 PUBLIC SQUARE SUITE 3300 CLEVELAND, OH 44114			GC - Corp. Affairs & Secretary		

# **Signatures**

Carolyn E. Cheverine	01/17/2013		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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