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 * Carrabba Joseph A				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 _X_ Officer (give title below)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 3300				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2013							Cnai	rman, Pres.	& CEO		
(Street)				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					
CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2315 (City) (State) (Zip)			Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)			6. Ownership Form:		Beneficial		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)					wnership nstr. 4)	
Common Shares		02/21/2013		A(1)		49,334	A	\$ 26.84	293,937		D				
Common Shares		02/21/2013		F ⁽²⁾		24,309	D	\$ 26.84	269,628		D				
Common Shares									6,898 ⁽³⁾		I	V	NQDC		
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1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security (Instr. 3) 2.		te, if Transaction Code Year) (Instr. 8)	Number and		Date Exercisable I Expiration Date onth/Day/Year)		Amo Und Secu	ount of erlying urities tr. 3 and		9. Number Derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Own Forn Derri Secu Dire or In (s) (I)	nership n of vative arity: cct (D) adirect tr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)		
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Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Carrabba Joseph A 200 PUBLIC SQUARE SUITE 3300 CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2315	X		Chairman, Pres. & CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Carolyn Cheverine by Power of Attorney

02/25/2013

**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 a payout of performance shares for the 2010-2012 performance period earned under the Issuer's 2007 Incentive Equity Plan.
- (2) Reflects the surrender of 17,964 performance shares and 6,345 restricted share units from the 2010-2012 performance period in payment of the related tax liability incurred by the Reporting Person as a result of the award.
- (3) Balance shown reflects 28, 91, 115 and 149 shares acquired March 1, 2012, June 1, 2012, August 31, 2012 and December 3, 2012, respectively, pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the Issuer's 2005 Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan ("VNQDC").

Remarks:

2010-2012 Performance Share Payout

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