

CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Taylor Douglas C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC. [CLF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 3300
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/27/2016

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2315

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction 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) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Shares | 04/27/2016 | | A | V Amount 19,722 (1) | (A) or (D) Price \$ 0 | 7,303,839 (2) | D |
| Common Shares | | | | | 14,400 | I | Douglas C. Taylor 2005 Family Trust (3) |

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

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Taylor Douglas C 200 PUBLIC SQUARE SUITE 3300 CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2315 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ James D. Graham by Power of Attorney
Date: 04/29/2016

**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 restricted shares granted to the Reporting Person as the 2016 Director Restricted Shares pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2014 Nonemployee Directors' Compensation Plan.
7,231,520 of these shares are held by the Accounts (as defined below). Casablanca Capital LP serves as investment advisor to certain investment funds or managed accounts (collectively, the "Accounts"), and may be deemed to have beneficial ownership over the common shares held for such Accounts. On November 6, 2015, Casablanca Capital LP sold 675,000 common shares on behalf of the Accounts.
- (2) The reporting person, as a co-managing member of Casablanca GP, is in a position to indirectly determine the voting and investment decisions regarding the common shares held by the Accounts and may be deemed to "beneficially own" such common shares. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these common shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein and the filing of this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (3) These shares are held in a trust for the benefit of the reporting person's children. The reporting person's spouse is a trustee of the trust. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that the reporting

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