

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC

Form 8-K

July 23, 2004

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**  
**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): July 22, 2004

CLEVELAND-CLIFFS INC

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

OHIO	1-8944	34-1464672
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
1100 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio		44114-2589
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)		(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (216-694-5700)

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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**ITEM 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

Cleveland-Cliffs Inc published a News Release on July 22, 2004 as follows:

**SEC Declares Effective Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Registration Statement Relating to its 3.25% Redeemable Cumulative Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock for Resale by Selling Securityholders**

CLEVELAND, OH, July 22, 2004 Cleveland-Cliffs Inc (NYSE: CLF) announced today that its Registration Statement on Form S-3 relating to the resale of its 3.25% redeemable cumulative convertible perpetual preferred stock, the convertible subordinated debentures issuable in exchange for the preferred stock and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the preferred stock and the convertible subordinated debentures, by the holders of those securities has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission. On the same date, however, the Company suspended the availability of the registration statement and related prospectus until further notice due to the pendency of the release of its earnings for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2004.

This press release does not constitute an offer to sell, or the solicitation of an offer to buy, any security.

Cleveland-Cliffs Inc, headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, is the largest producer of iron ore pellets in North America, and sells the majority of its pellets to integrated steel companies in North America and Canada. The Company operates six iron ore mines in Michigan, Minnesota and Eastern Canada.

This news release contains predictive statements that are intended to be made as forward-looking within the safe harbor protections of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Although the Company believes that its forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, such statements are subject to risk and uncertainties.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

**CLEVELAND-CLIFFS INC**

By: /s/ Donald J. Gallagher

Name: Donald J. Gallagher  
Title: Senior Vice President,  
Chief Financial Officer and  
Treasurer

Date: July 23, 2004