CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BRINZO JOHN S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE, 15TH FLOOR		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(energia di applicable)			
		E, 15TH	(Month/Day/Year) 03/04/2005	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & CEO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
CLEVELAND	, OH 44114		Thed(Month/Day/Teal)	_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/04/2005		A <u>(1)</u>	45,996	. /	\$ 0	90,582	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2005		F(2)	14,695	D	\$ 78.75	75,887 <u>(3)</u>	D	
Common Stock							71,732 (4)	I	By VNQDC
Common Stock							17,722 (5)	I	By Wife

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 II S (
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Retention Units 2002-2004	<u>(6)</u>	03/04/2005		D		15,000 (7)	(8)	(8)	Common Shares	15,000 (7)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BRINZO IOHN S								

BRINZO JOHN S 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE 15TH FLOOR CLEVELAND, OH 44114

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Chairman & CEO

Signatures

John S. Brinzo 03/07/2005

**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 payout in Common Stock of Performance Shares earned under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc 1992 Equity Plan (as Amended and Restated as of May 13, 1997) as amended, for the 2002-2004 Performance Period.
- (2) Surrender of Performance Shares represented in footnote (1) in payment of the related tax liability incurred by the reporting person.
- (3) On December 31, 2004, the common stock of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of 22,293 additional shares of common stock.
- (4) Held for the benefit of the Reporting Person by the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan (VNQDC). The amount reflects a 2-for-1 stock split on December 31, 2004 resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of 35,841 shares. Balance shown also includes 15 shares (30 shares post-stock split) acquired December 1, 2004 and 20 shares March 1, 2005

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pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the VNQDC.

- (5) On December 31, 2004, the common stock of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of 8,861 additional shares of common stock.
- (6) Convertible into Common Shares on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (7) On December 31, 2004, the common stock of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of 7,500 additional Retention Units in the 2002-2004 Performance Period.
- Retention Units granted to Reporting Person under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Long-Term Incentive Program covering the period of January (8) 1, 2002 to December 31, 2004 (Retention Period) were paid-out to Reporting Person in cash based on the market value prices of the Common Shares of the Issuer on the last day of the Retention Period.

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