

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC

Form 4

March 07, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LEROUX ROBERT J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE

(Street)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/04/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Vice President & Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/04/2005		A ⁽¹⁾	4,139 A \$ 0	6,629	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2005		F ⁽²⁾	1,322 D \$ 0	5,307 ⁽³⁾	D	
Common Stock					3,342 ⁽⁴⁾	I	By VNQDC ⁽⁴⁾

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. P
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Retention Units 2002-2004	(5)	03/04/2005		D	1,350	(6) (6)	Common Shares	1,350 (7) \$ 5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
LEROUX ROBERT J 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44114	Vice President & Controller

Signatures

Robert J. Leroux 03/07/2005

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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 1,245 additional shares of common stock.
- Held for the benefit of the Reporting Person by the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan
- (4) (VNQDC). The amount reflects a 2-for-1 stock split on December 31, 2004 resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of 1,669 shares. Balance shown also includes 4 shares acquired March 1, 2005 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the VNQDC.
- (5) Convertible into Common Shares on a 1-for-1 basis.

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- Retention Units granted to Reporting Person under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Long-Term Incentive Program covering the period of January
- (6) 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.
- (7) On December 31, 2004, the common stock of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of 675 additional Retention Units in the 2002-2004 Performance Period.

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