

CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

Form 8-K

October 19, 2012

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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): October 16, 2012

Cliffs Natural Resources Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Ohio
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

001-08944
(Commission

File Number)

34-1464672
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

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200 Public Square, Cleveland, Ohio
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

44114-2315
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:(216) 694-5700

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On October 16, 2012, Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. (the **Company**) amended and extended its existing credit facility by entering into an Amendment No. 1 dated October 16, 2012 (**Amendment No. 1**) to the Amended and Restated Multicurrency Credit Agreement dated August 11, 2011 (**Credit Agreement**) among the Company, certain of its foreign subsidiaries of the Company, various Lenders from time to time party thereto (**Lenders**) and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Syndication Agent and L/C Issuer, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., PNC Capital Markets Inc. and U.S. Bank National Association, as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Book Managers, and Fifth Third Bank and RBS Citizens, N.A., as Co-Documentation Agents.

Amendment No. 1 extends the term of the prior credit facility by approximately one year to October 16, 2017. All other terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement remain in full force and effect.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

See discussion under Item 1.01 above.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

| Number | Description |
|---------------|--|
| 10.1 | Amendment No. 1 to Amended and Restated Multicurrency Credit Agreement |

SIGNATURES

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.

CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

By: /s/ Carolyn E. Cheverine
Name: Carolyn E. Cheverine
Title: General Counsel, Corporate Affairs &
Secretary

Date: October 19, 2012