CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC. Form 8-K February 18, 2010

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 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): February 17, 2010

## CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

OHIO (State or Other Jurisdiction

1-8944 (Commission 34-1464672 (IRS Employer

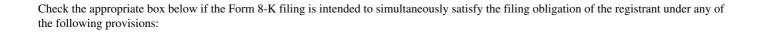
of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

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200 Public Square, Suite 3300, Cleveland, Ohio
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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

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



- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### ITEM 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 17, 2010, Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. issued a news release announcing fourth-quarter and full-year results for the periods ended December 31, 2009, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99(a) to this Current Report on Form 8-K. This information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ) or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

Exhibit Number Exhibit

99(a) Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. published a news release on February 17, 2010 captioned, Cliffs
Natural Resources Inc. Reports Fourth-Quarter and Full-Year 2009 Results

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#### **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.

## CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

By: /s/ George W. Hawk, Jr.
Name: George W. Hawk, Jr.
Title: General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: February 18, 2010

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