

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC
 Form 3
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Carrabba Joseph A (Last) (First) (Middle) 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE, 15TH FLOOR (Street) CLEVELAND, OH 44114 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2005	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) President & COO	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	3,800	D ⁽¹⁾	1

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
Retention Units 2004-2006	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Shares 570	\$ 0 D Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Carrabba Joseph A 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE 15TH FLOOR CLEVELAND, OH 44114	Â	Â	Â President & COO	Â

Signatures

/s/ Traci L. Forrester by Power of Attorney
Date: 05/25/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Restricted Stock Award granted as of the date of employment (on May 23, 2005) with the Company, vesting one third on each of the first three anniversaries of May 23, 2005.
- Represents a grant of Retention Units to the Reporting Person on his date of employment, May 23, 2005, under the Cleveland Cliffs Inc Long-Term Incentive Program (LTI Program) covering the period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2006 ("Retention Period").
- (2) Payment of the Retention Units will be made in cash after the completion of the Retention Period based upon the employment by the Company of the Reporting Person and the market value of a Common Share of the Company on the last day of the Retention Period.

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