LEROUX ROBERT J

Form 4 May 10, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

05/08/2006

(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Vice President & Controller

1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Following Transaction(s) Ownership (Instr. 4)

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Number:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

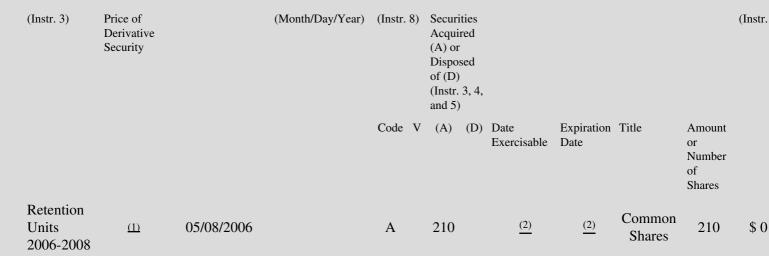
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionof **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Deriva Security or Exercise any Code Derivative (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Securi

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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 05/10/2006

**Signature of Person 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) Convertible into Common Shares on a 1-for-1 basis.

Represents a grant of Retention Units to the Reporting Person under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Long-Term Incentive Program covering the period January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2008 (Incentive Period). Payment of the Retention Units will be made in cash after the completion of the Incentive 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 Incentive Period.

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