CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

Form 4

February 22, 2017

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

Shares

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A	Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC. [CLF]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) 200 PUBLI 3300	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2017					Director 10% Owner Self-cert (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP & Chief Operating Officer					
				endment, Da nth/Day/Yea		1		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
CLEVELA	ND, OH 44114-2	2315						Form filed by M Person	Iore than One Rep	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Date, if ay/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) ar) (Instr. 8) (A) or				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 Shares	02/17/2017			Code V F	Amount 4,142 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 11.49	447,632.685	D		
Common Shares	02/21/2017			A	48,963 (2)	A	\$0	496,595.685	D		

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

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

TOMPKINS P KELLY 200 PUBLIC SQUARE **SUITE 3300** CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2315

EVP & Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

/s/ Traci L. Forrester by Power of Attorney

02/22/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- Surrender of shares in payment of tax liability incurred on February 17, 2017, the date of restricted stock units vesting to the Reporting **(1)** Person granted in 2014.
- Reflects the number of restricted share units granted to the Reporting Person on February 21, 2017 from the Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. 2015 Equity and Incentive Compensation Plan. This grant vests on December 31, 2019.

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