CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

Vice President & Controller

1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE

(Month/Day/Year)

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

03/04/2005

below)

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) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	action Date 2A. Deemed Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/04/2005		A(1)	4,139	A	\$0	6,629	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2005		F(2)	1,322	D	\$ 0	5,307 (3)	D	
Common Stock							3,342 (4)	I	By VNQDC (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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. P Der Sec (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Retention Units 2002-2004	<u>(5)</u>	03/04/2005		D	1,350	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Shares	1,350 (7)	\$

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 03/07/2005

**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).
- (1) Reflects payout in Common Stock of Performance Shares earned under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc 1992 Equity Plan (as Amended and Restated as of May 13, 1997) as amended, for the 2002-2004 Performance Period.
- (2) Surrender of Performance Shares represented in footnote (1) in payment of the related tax liability incurred by the reporting person.
- (3) On December 31, 2004, the common stock of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of 1,245 additional shares of common stock.
 - Held for the benefit of the Reporting Person by the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan
- (4) (VNQDC). The amount reflects a 2-for-1 stock split on December 31, 2004 resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of 1,669 shares. Balance shown also includes 4 shares acquired March 1, 2005 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the VNQDC.

(5) Convertible into Common Shares on a 1-for-1 basis.

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- Retention Units granted to Reporting Person under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Long-Term Incentive Program covering the period of January

 (6) 1, 2002 to December 31, 2004 (Retention Period) were paid-out to Reporting Person in cash based on the market value prices of the Common Shares of the Issuer on the last day of the Retention Period.
- (7) On December 31, 2004, the common stock of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of 675 additional Retention Units in the 2002-2004 Performance Period.

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