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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add GALLAGHE	•	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE (Street)			12/13/2004	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				Senior VP & CFO & Treasurer		
			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
CLEVELAND, OH 44114				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (nor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		(D)	Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/13/2004		G	V	50	D	\$ 0	381	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2004		G	V	70	D	\$ 0	311	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2004		M		3,333	A	\$ 64.9688	3,644	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2004		S		3,333	D	\$ 102	323.006 (1)	D	
Common Stock								10,728	I	By VNQDC

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3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

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6. Date Exercisable and

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7. Title and Amount

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

Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,			Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share
Options (right-to-buy)	\$ 64.9688	12/20/2004		M	3,333	01/12/2003	01/12/2009	Common Shares	3,33

Reporting Owners

2.

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GALLAGHER DONALD J 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44114

Senior VP & CFO & Treasurer

Signatures

1. Title of

Donald J. Gallagher 12/21/2004

**Signature of 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).
 - Includes 11.791 shares held in a dividend reinvestment account inadvertantly omitted from previous reports. On November 19, 2004,
- (1) Cleveland-Cliffs Inc declared a cash dividend of \$.20 per share, payable to all holders of record of common stock on December 1, 2004. The amount shown includes .215 shares acquired pursuant to the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (2) Held for the benefit of the Reporting Person by the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan (VNQDC). Balance shown includes 19 shares acquired December 1, 2004 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the VNQDC.

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