

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
GALLAGHER DONALD J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE

(Street)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/13/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior VP & CFO & Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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. Transaction Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)				Price
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 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock								10,728	I	By VNQDC <sup>(2)</sup>

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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. Transaction 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (right-to-buy)	\$ 64.9688	12/20/2004		M	3,333	01/12/2003 01/12/2009	Common Shares	3,333

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GALLAGHER DONALD J 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44114			Senior VP & CFO & Treasurer	

## Signatures

Donald J. Gallagher 12/21/2004

\*\*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) Includes 11,791 shares held in a dividend reinvestment account inadvertently omitted from previous reports. On November 19, 2004, 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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