CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

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(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and A Taylor Doug	ddress of Reporting I glas C	Symbol CLIFFS	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 PUBLIC 3300	(First) (M	(Month/D		_X_ Director Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify	
CLEVELAN	(Street) ND, OH 44114-23	Filed(Mor	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		
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	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)	

Code V

A

Amount

11,867

(1)

(D)

Price

1.58

Douglas C. Taylor

> 2005 Ι Family Trust (3)

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

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 $7,277,846 \ \underline{^{(2)}}$

14,400

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

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
rs	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Taylor Douglas C 200 PUBLIC SQUARE SUITE 3300 CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2315	X					

Signatures

/s/ James D. Graham by Power of Attorney

01/06/2016

**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).
- Reflects the number of common shares issued to the reporting person in payment of the reporting person's quarterly retainer in lieu of (1) cash for the first quarter pursuant to the reporting person's election to participate in the Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. Nonemployee Director Retainer Share Election Program. The reporting person elected to participate in the Retainer Election Program at 50%.
 - 7,231,520 of these shares are held by the Accounts (as defined below). Casablanca Capital LP serves as investment advisor to certain investment funds or managed accounts (collectively, the "Accounts"), and may be deemed to have beneficial ownership over the common shares held for such Accounts. On November 6, 2015, Casablanca Capital LP sold 675,000 common shares on behalf of the Accounts.
- The reporting person, as a co-managing member of Casablanca GP, is in a position to indirectly determine the voting and investment decisions regarding the common shares held by the Accounts and may be deemed to "beneficially own" such common shares. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these common shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein and the filing of this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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