CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC

Form 4

September 09, 2008

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

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Eldridge Barry J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Last) (First) CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]

(Check all applicable)

1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE, 15TH

(Month/Day/Year) 09/08/2008

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

(City)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non-l | Derivative S | ecurit | ies Acqui | red, Disposed of, | 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securitie omr Disposer (Instr. 3, 4 | d of (Ľ |)) | 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 Stock | 09/08/2008 | | A(1) | 17.301 | A | \$ 115.6 | 8,803.0874 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/09/2008 | | A(1) | 12.9758 | A | \$ 115.6 | 8,816.0632 | D | |

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exer | | 7. Title | | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------|----------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secur |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securi | ties | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | | Trans |
| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | | Amount | | |
| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | | or | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | Title | Number | | |
| | | | | | | Excicisable | Date | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| • | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Eldridge Barry J 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE 15TH FLOOR CLEVELAND, OH 44114 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures

George W. Hawk, Jr. by Power of 09/09/2008 Attorney

> **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 number of Common Shares credited to the account of the Reporting Person under the Nonemployee Directors' Compensation Plan for meeting fees. Full shares earned in 2008 will be issued effective January 2, 2009.

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