CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person _ Carrabba Joseph A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE, 15TH FLOOR	(Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2008	_X_ Director 10% Owner Specify below) Chairman, Pres. & CEO		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

Stock

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities A	cquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Dispose	ed of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and	. 5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	(D) or	Ownership
						Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
				(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)	
				(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	or	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount (D)				
Common Stock	05/23/2008		F <u>(1)</u>	2,125 D	\$ 92.835	88,251 (2)	D	
Common						2 114 (3)	Ť	VNODO

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

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Applicable Line)

Person

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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. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Retention Units 2006-2008	<u>(4)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Shares	9,960 (5)	
Retention Units 2007-2009	<u>(4)</u>					<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Shares	11,100 (7)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Treporting O When I wante / I wante of	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Carrabba Joseph A 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE 15TH FLOOR CLEVELAND, OH 44114	X		Chairman, Pres. & CEO			

Signatures

George W. Hawk, Jr. by Power of 05/27/2008 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).
- (1) Surrender of shares in payment of the related tax liability incurred by the reporting person upon the vesting of a restricted stock grant.
- Total amount reflects the Company's 2-for-1 stock split on May 15, 2008, which resulted in the reporting person's receiving an additiona **(2)** 39,438 common shares and 5,750 restricted stock units.
- Held for the benefit of the Reporting Person by the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan (3) (VNQDC). Total ownership reflects the 2-for-1 stock split on May 15, 2008, which resulted in the reporting person's receiving 1,057 additional shares in the VNQDC.
- (4) Each Retention Unit represents the value of one Common Share of the Company.

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- Represents a grant of Retention Units to the Reporting Person under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Long-Term Incentive Program covering the period January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2008 (Incentive Period). Payment of the Retention Units will be made in cash after the completion of the Incentive Period based upon the employment by the Company of the Reporting Person and the market value of a Common Share of the Company on the last day of the Incentive Period.
- (6) Total amount reflects a Company 2-for-1 stock split on May 15, 2008, which resulted in the reporting person's receiving 4,980 additional retention units.
- Represents a grant of Retention Units to the Reporting Person under the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Long-Term Incentive Program covering the period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009 (Incentive Period). Payment of the Retention Units will be made in cash after the completion of the Incentive Period based upon the employment by the Company of the Reporting Person and the market value of a Common Share of the Company on the last day of the Incentive Period.
- (8) Total amount reflects the 2-for-1 stock split on May 15, 2008, which resulted in the reporting person's receiving 5,550 additional retention units.

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