

GALLAGHER DONALD J
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FORM 5

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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

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) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Pres. N. Am. Iron Ore

1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE
 (Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting
 (check applicable line)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
 Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/14/2009 | Â | G | 200 D \$ 0 (1) | 47,629.048 (2) | D | Â |
| Common Stock | Â | Â | Â | Â Â Â | 98,068 (3) | I | By VNQDC |

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 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Price of Underlying Security (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GALLAGHER DONALD J 1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44114 | Â | Â | Â Pres. N. Am. Iron Ore | Â |

Signatures

George W. Hawk, Jr. by Power of Attorney
Date: 01/07/2010

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Disposition of shares as gift requires no dollar amount.

(2) An amended Form 4 was reported on March 18, 2009 to reflect the correct number of Restricted Stock Units granted to the Reporting person on March 9, 2009, and the correct number of directly held shares (62,120.048). On March 17, 2009, a Form 4 was reported to reflect the trade-in of 14,291 shares for tax liability incorrectly reporting a direct ownership holding of 47,854.048 shares. This January 6, 2010 filing reflects the gifting of 200 shares making the Reporting Person's directly held shares a total of 47,629.048 shares.

(3) Balance shown reflects 122, 147, and 173 dividend reinvestment shares acquired June 1, September 1, and December 1, 2009, respectively, pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the Cliffs Natural Resources 2005 Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan ("VNQDC").

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