

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC

Form 4

December 21, 2004

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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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
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Senior VP & CFO & Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 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	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 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock								10,728	I
									By VNQDC ⁽²⁾

By
VNQDC
(2)

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title 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).

- Includes 11,791 shares held in a dividend reinvestment account inadvertently omitted from previous reports. On November 19, 2004,
- (1) 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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