

CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES INC.

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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1(b).**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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SAWYER JAMES S2. 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)
200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE
33003. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/19/2015☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)(Street)
CLEVELAND, OH 44114-23154. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ 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 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 (D) Price			

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

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(9-02)**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Secu (Instr				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Shares ⁽¹⁾	<u>(2)</u>	05/19/2015	A		16,832		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Shares	16,832	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SAWYER JAMES S 200 PUBLIC SQUARE SUITE 3300 CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2315	X			

Signatures

/s/ James D. Graham by Power of Attorney

05/21/2015

****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)** The Reporting Person has elected to defer his 2015 Director Restricted Shares (the "Deferred Shares").

Each Deferred Share is the economic equivalent of one Issuer common share. The Deferred Shares become payable, in cash or common stock, at the election of the Issuer's Governance and Nominating Committee, in accordance with the Reporting Person's deferral election and the terms of the 2014 Nonemployee Directors' Compensation Plan.

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