

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MCALLISTER FRANCIS R

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
536 EAST PIKE, P.O. BOX 1330  
(Street)

COLUMBUS, MT 53019

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC [CLF]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/28/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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	12/28/2004		M		12,000	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	12/29/2004		M		500	A	\$ 41.6875
Common Stock	12/29/2004		S		1,800	D	\$ 106.89
Common Stock	12/29/2004		S		400	D	\$ 107.41
Common Stock	12/29/2004		S		100	D	\$ 107.46
Common Stock	12/29/2004		S		200	D	\$ 107.5

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Common Stock							
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	100	D	\$ 107.52	10,012.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	200	D	\$ 107.63	9,812.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	400	D	\$ 107.64	9,412.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	300	D	\$ 107.65	9,112.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	1,000	D	\$ 107.67	8,112.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	100	D	\$ 107.7	8,012.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	100	D	\$ 107.71	7,912.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	900	D	\$ 107.72	7,012.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	400	D	\$ 107.78	6,612.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	400	D	\$ 107.79	6,212.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	300	D	\$ 107.8	5,912.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	200	D	\$ 107.84	5,712.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	1,600	D	\$ 107.85	4,112.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	100	D	\$ 107.86	4,012.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	100	D	\$ 107.88	3,912.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	100	D	\$ 107.9	3,812.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	600	D	\$ 107.91	3,212.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	100	D	\$ 107.95	3,112.611	D
Common Stock	12/29/2004	S	3,000	D	\$ 108.1	112.611	D

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (right-to-buy)	\$ 41.6875	12/29/2004		M	500	11/14/1996 05/14/2006	Common Shares	500
Stock Units	(1)	12/28/2004		M(2)	12,000	(3) (3)	Common Shares	12,000
Stock Units	(1)	12/28/2004		D(4)	766	(3) (3)	Common Shares	766

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MCALLISTER FRANCIS R 536 EAST PIKE P.O. BOX 1330 COLUMBUS, MT 53019		X		

## Signatures

George W. Hawk; by Power of Attorney  
12/30/2004

\*\*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).

- (1) Convertible into Common Shares on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (2)

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Reflects distribution of Common Shares to the Reporting Person from the Cleveland-Cliffs Inc Nonemployee Directors' Compensation Plan ("Plan").

Stock Units reflect Common Shares underlying deferred compensation credited to the account of the Reporting Person in payment of

(3) 100% of the Reporting Person's Meeting Fees and Retainer fees under the Plan. Each Stock Unit is generally distributable following termination of service as a Director.

(4) Reflects forfeiture of stock to the Issuer pursuant to the terms of the Plan in connection with pre-termination distribution.

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