

Form 144 Filer Information

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

FORM 144

Form 144

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

144: Filer Information

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Is this a LIVE or TEST Filing?

☒ LIVE ☐ TEST

Submission Contact Information

Name

Phone

E-Mail Address

144: Issuer Information

Name of Issuer

CLEVELAND-CLIFFS INC.

SEC File Number

001-08944

Address of Issuer

200 PUBLIC SQUARE
STE. 3300
CLEVELAND
OHIO
44114-2315

Phone

216-694-5700

Name of Person for Whose Account the
Securities are To Be Sold

Smith Clifford T

See the definition of "person" in paragraph (a) of Rule 144. Information is to be given not only as to the person for whose account the securities are to be sold but also as to all other persons included in that definition. In addition, information shall be given as to sales by all persons whose sales are required by paragraph (e) of Rule 144 to be aggregated with sales for the account of the person filing this notice.

Relationship to Issuer

Officer

144: Securities Information

Title of the Class of Securities To Be Sold	Name and Address of the Broker	Number of Shares or Other Units To Be Sold	Aggregate Market Value	Number of Shares or Other Units Outstanding	Approximate Date of Sale	Name of the Securities Exchange
Common	Fidelity Brokerage Services LLC 900 Salem Street Smithfield RI 02917	200000	2092082.63	570390499	02/17/2026	NYSE

Furnish the following information with respect to the acquisition of the securities to be sold and with respect to the payment of all or any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor:

144: Securities To Be Sold

Title of the Class	Date you Acquired	Nature of Acquisition Transaction	Name of Person from Whom Acquired	Is this	Date Donor Acquired	Amount of Securities Acquired	Date of Payment	Nature of Payment *
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				a Gift?				
Common	02/10/2014	Restricted Stock Vesting	Issuer	<input type="checkbox"/>		736	02/10/2014	Compensation
Common	02/17/2017	Restricted Stock Vesting	Issuer	<input type="checkbox"/>		5155	02/17/2017	Compensation
Common	02/19/2019	Restricted Stock Vesting	Issuer	<input type="checkbox"/>		96965	02/19/2019	Compensation
Common	01/04/2022	Restricted Stock Vesting	Issuer	<input type="checkbox"/>		50901	01/04/2022	Compensation
Common	01/04/2023	Restricted Stock Vesting	Issuer	<input type="checkbox"/>		74	01/04/2023	Compensation
Common	01/03/2024	Restricted Stock Vesting	Issuer	<input type="checkbox"/>		46169	01/03/2024	Compensation

* If the securities were purchased and full payment therefor was not made in cash at the time of purchase, explain in the table or in a note thereto the nature of the consideration given. If the consideration consisted of any note or other obligation, or if payment was made in installments describe the arrangement and state when the note or other obligation was discharged in full or the last installment paid.

Furnish the following information as to all securities of the issuer sold during the past 3 months by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold.

144: Securities Sold During The Past 3 Months

Nothing to Report



144: Remarks and Signature

Remarks

Date of Notice

02/17/2026

ATTENTION:

The person for whose account the securities to which this notice relates are to be sold hereby represents by signing this notice that he does not know any material adverse information in regard to the current and prospective operations of the Issuer of the securities to be sold which has not been publicly disclosed. If such person has adopted a written trading plan or given trading instructions to satisfy Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act, by signing the form and indicating the date that the plan was adopted or the instruction given, that person makes such representation as of the plan adoption or instruction date.

Signature

/s/ Eric Janiak, as a duly authorized representative of Fidelity Brokerage Services LLC, as attorney-in-fact for Clifford T. Smith

ATTENTION: Intentional misstatements or omission of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)