FORM 4

### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  CLEVELAND-CLIFFS INC. [ CLF ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Midd 200 PUBLIC SQUARE SUITE 3300					Director	10% Owner			
		(Middle)		X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
		(middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/06/2024		Chairman, President & CEO				
(Street) CLEVELAND	ОН	44114-2315	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Che Form filed by One Reporting Form filed by More than One	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	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Shares	03/06/2024		<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		187,136	Α	\$7.7	2,886,225	D	
Common Shares	03/06/2024		S		187,136	D	\$20.19(2)	2,699,089(3)	D	
Common Shares								898,800	I	By 2022 grantor retained annuity trust
Common Shares								2,101,200	I	By 2023 grantor retained annuity trust

## 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. Transac Code (II 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Employee Stock Options (right-to- buy)	\$7.7	03/06/2024		M <sup>(1)</sup>			187,136	12/31/2017	01/11/2025	Common Shares	187,136	\$0	0	D	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1.\ This\ transaction\ represents\ the\ exercise\ of\ compensatory\ stock\ options,\ the\ expiration\ date\ of\ which\ is\ January\ 11,\ 2025.$
- 2. The price reported in column four is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$20.00 to \$20.36, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer or the Staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, with full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within this range.
- 3. For purposes of clarity, the aggregate number of common shares and share equivalents held both directly and indirectly by the Reporting Person as shown on this Form 4 is 5,699,089.

### Remarks:

/s/ James D. Graham by Power of Attorney

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

03/08/2024

Date

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

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).