

## NEWS RELEASE

Cleveland-Cliffs Inc , which will be renamed Cliffs Natural Resources in conjunction with its planned merger with Alpha Natural Resources , today said it intends to announce unaudited 2008 second-quarter and first-half results after the market closes Wednesday, July 30, 2008.

The Company invites interested parties to listen to a live broadcast of a conference call with securities analysts and institutional investors to discuss the results.

Thursday, July 31, at 10:00 a.m. ET

Joseph A. Carrabba, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Laurie Brlas, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Steven R. Baisden, Director, Investor Relations and Corporate Communications

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If you are unable to participate during the live webcast, the call will be archived at <a href="http://www.cleveland-cliffs.com">http://www.cleveland-cliffs.com</a> for 30 days.

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security holders will be able to obtain the documents free of charge at the SEC's web site, www.sec.gov, from Cleveland-Cliffs Inc, Investor Relations, 1100 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44114-2544, or call (216) 694-5700, or from Alpha Natural Resources, Inc., One Alpha Place, P.O. Box 2345, Abingdon, Virginia 24212, attention: Investor Relations, or call (276) 619-4410.

## **Participants In Solicitation**

Cleveland-Cliffs and Alpha and their respective directors and executive officers and other members of management and employees may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed merger. Information concerning Cleveland-Cliffs' participants is set forth in the proxy statement dated March 26, 2008, for Cleveland-Cliffs' 2008 annual meeting of shareholders as filed with the SEC on Schedule 14A. Information concerning Alpha's participants is set forth in the proxy statement, dated April 2, 2008, for Alpha's 2008 annual meeting of stockholders as filed with the SEC on Schedule 14A. Additional information regarding the interests of participants of Cleveland-Cliffs and Alpha in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed merger will be included in the registration statement and joint proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant materials to be filed with the SEC when they become available.

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