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) Reflects number of Common Shares credited to the account of the Reporting Person in payment of the Reporting Person's required quarterly retainer for the second quarter under the Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. Nonemployee Directors' Compensation Plan (which was retroactively increased on May 17, 2011).
- (2) Reflects the number of Common Shares granted to the Reporting Person >69 years of age as the Annual Equity Grant on May 17, 2011, the date of the Annual Meeting of Shareholders pursuant to the Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Compensation Plan.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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