FORM 4

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| (Print or Type | e Responses) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GONCALVES LOURENCO | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CLEVELAND-CLIFFS INC. [CLF] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Chairman, President & CEO | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 3300 | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/20/2021 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | |) | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2315 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.Title of Sec (Instr. 3) | curity | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year | | | Date, | f Code (Instr. | nsaction 8) | or D | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | O) C | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | C F | Ownership of Form: | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | (Month/Day/Ye | | ay/ Y ea | Coo | de V | An | | (A) or (D) | | | | 0 (1 | | |
| Common S | Shares | | 08/20/2021 | | | | M | <u>(1)</u> | 250 | 0,000 A | A | \$ 13.83 | ,598,592 | | Γ |) | |
| | | | Table I | | | | | curre quired, Di | ently ispose | valid O | OMB Bene | control nu | | s the form | displays a | | |
| 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. Transact | action Derivative Securities 8 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | 6. Date E Expiratio (Month/E | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | Ownersh Form of Derivativ Security: Direct (I or Indire | (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisal | | Expiration Date | n | Title | Number of Shares | | | | |
| Employee Stock Options (right-to- buy) | \$ 13.83 | 08/20/2021 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 2 | 50,000 | (2) | 1 | . 1/17/20 | 021 | Common Shares | 250,000.00 | \$ 0 | 0 | D | |

Reporting Owners

| | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| GONCALVES LOURENCO 200 PUBLIC SQUARE SUITE 3300 CLEVELAND, OH 44114-2315 | X | | Chairman, President & CEO | | | | |

Signatures

| /s/ James D. Graham by Power of Attorney | 08/20/2021 |
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| **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) This transaction represents the exempt exercise of compensatory stock options, the expiration date of which is November 17, 2021. The Reporting Person is exercising these stock options with cash and holding all 250,000 shares to avoid forfeiture of such stock options at their upcoming expiration.
- (2) The option vested in three equal annual installments beginning on December 31, 2015.

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