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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On June 2, 2011, Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. issued a press release announcing the outlook for its recently acquired Consolidated Thompson operations and providing an update for its North American Coal Business Segment. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(**d**) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number

Description 99.1 Press Release, dated June 2, 2011

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: June 6, 2011

Cliffs Natural Resources Inc.

By: <u>/s/ Gina K. Gunning</u> Name: Gina K. Gunning Title: General Counsel, Corporate Affairs and Secretary

Exhibit <u>Number</u> 99.1 Press Release, dated June 2, 2011



Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. Announces Outlook for Recently Acquired Consolidated Thompson Operations and Update for North American Coal Business Segment

CLEVELAND – June 2, 2011 – Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. (NYSE: CLF) (Paris: CLF) announced today 2011 and 2012 outlooks for its Bloom Lake Mine, an iron ore operation acquired as part of its recent acquisition of Consolidated Thompson Iron Mines Limited. Cliffs also announced an update for its North American Coal busines siA-c

SOURCE: Cliffs Natural Resources Inc.

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