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#### 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.

March 14, 2005

Cleveland-Cliffs Inc

By: George W. Hawk, Jr.

Name: George W. Hawk, Jr. Title: General Counsel and Secretary Exhibit Index

Exhibit No.

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Form of Restricted Shares Agreement

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# **CLEVELAND-CLIFFS INC**

# **Restricted Shares Agreement**

WHEREAS, \_\_\_\_ (the "Grantee") is an em

(iii) consummation of a reorganization, merger or consolidation involving the Company, a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or any other transaction involving the Company (each, a "Business Combination"), unless, in each case, immediately following such Business Combination, (A) all or substantially all of the individuals and entities who were the beneficial owners of voting stock of the Company immediately prior to such Business Combination beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than 55% of the combined voting power of the then outstanding shares of voting stock of the entity resulting from such Business Combination (including, without function, an dfitty which as a result of such transaction owns the Company or all or substantially all of the Company's assets either directly or through one or more subsidiaries) in substantially the same proportions relative to each other as their ownership, immediately prior to such Business Combination, or any employee benefit plan (or related trust) sponsored or maintained by the Company, any subsidiary or such entity resulting from such Business Combination, and (C) at least a majority of the directly of the Board or Directors of the entity resulting from such Business Combination, and (C) at least a majority of the members of the Board or Directors of the entity resulting from such Business Combination were members of the Incumbent Board at the time of the execution of the initial agreement or of the action of the Board providing for such Business Combination; or

- (d) Failure of the Grantee to repay to the Company the amount to be reimbursed in subsection (c) above within three days of termination of employment will result in the offset of said amount from the Grantee's account balance in the Voluntary Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan (if applicable) and/or from any accrued salary or vacation pay owed at the date of termination of employment or from future earnings payable by the Grantee's next employer.
- 5. <u>Dividend, Voting and Other Rights</u>. The Grantee shall have all of the rights of a shareholder with respect to the Common Shares covered by this Agreement, including the right to vote the Common Shares and receive any dividends that may be paid thereon; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that any additional Common shares that the Grantee may become entitled to receive pursuant to a share dividend or a merger or reorganization in which the Company is the surviving corporation or any other change in the capital structure of the Company shall be subject to the same restrictions as the Common Shares covered by this Agreement
- 6. <u>Retention of Share Certificate(s) by Company</u>. The certificate(s) representing the Common Shares covered by this Agreement shall be held in custody by the Company, together with a stock power endorsed in blank by the Grantee with respect thereto, until those shares have become nonforfeitable in accordance with Section 3 hereof.
- 7. <u>Compliance with Law</u>. The Company shall make reasonable efforts to comply with all applicable federal and state securities laws; provided, however, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Company shall not be obligated to issue any restricted or unrestricted Common Shares pursuant to this Agreement if the issuance thereof would result in a violation of any such law. To the extent that the Ohio Securities Act shall be applicable to this Agreement, the Company shall not be obligated to issue any restricted or unrestricted Common Shares or other securities pursuant to this Agreement, unless those shares or other securities are (a) exempt from registration thereunder, (b) the subject of a transaction that is exempt from compliance therewith, (c) registered by description or qualification thereunder or (d) the subject of a transaction that shall have been registered by description thereunder.
- 8. <u>Adjustments</u>. The Committee shall make any adjustments in the number or kind of shares of stock or other securities covered by this Agreement that the Committee may determine to be equitably required to prevent any dilution or expansion of the Grantee's rights under this Agreement that otherwise would result from any (a) stock dividend, stock split, combination of shares, recapitalization or other change in the capital structure of the Company, (b) merger, consolidation, separation, reorganization or partial or complete liquidation involving the Company or (c) other transaction or event having an effect similar to any of those referred to in Section 8(a) and 8(b) hereof. Furthermore, in the event that any transaction or event described or referred to in the immediately preceding sentence shall occur, the Committee may provide in substitution of any or all of the Grantee's rights under this Agreement such alternative consideration as the Committee may determine in good faith to be equitable under the circumstances.
- 9. <u>Withholding Taxes</u>. If the Company shall be required to withhold any federal, state, local or foreign tax in connection with any issuance of restricted or unrestricted Common Shares or other securities pursuant to this Agreement, the Grantee shall pay the tax or make provisions that are satisfactory to the Company for the payment thereof.
- 10. <u>Right to Terminate Employment</u>. No provision of this Agreement shall limit in any way whatsoever any right that the Company or a Subsidiary may otherwise have to terminate the employment of the Grantee at any time.
- 11. <u>Relation to Other Benefits</u>. Any economic or other benefit to the Grantee under this Agreement or the Plan shall not be taken into account in determining any benefits to which the Grantee may be entitled under any profit-sharing, retirement or other benefit or compensation plan maintained by the Company or a Subsidiary and shall not affect the amount of any life insurance coverage available to any beneficiary under any life insurance plan covering employees of the Company or a Subsidiary.
- 12. <u>Amendments</u>. Any amendment to the Plan shall be deemed to be an amendment to this Agreement to the extent that the amendment is applicable hereto; provided, however, that no amendment shall adversely affect the rights of the Grantee with respect to the Common Shares or other securities covered by this Agreement without the Grantee's consent.
- 13. <u>Severability</u>. In the event that one or more of the provisions of this Agreement shall be invalidated for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, any provision so invalidated shall be deemed to be separable from the other provisions hereof, and the remaining provisions hereof shall continue to be valid and fully enforceable.
- 14. Governing Law. This Agreement is made under, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Ohio.

This Agreement is executed by the Company on this \_\_\_\_ day of March, 2005.

## CLEVELAND-CLIFFS INC

By

Randy L. Kummer

## Senior Vice President - Human Resources

The undersigned Grantee hereby acknowledges receipt of an executed original of this Agreement and accepts the right to receive the Common Shares or other securities covered hereby, subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and the terms and conditions hereinabove set forth.

Grantee

Date: