

NEWS RELEASE

Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. Shares Commence Trading on NYSE Euronext Paris

CLEVELAND—April 6, 2009—Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. (**NYSE: CLF**) (**Paris: CLF**) today announced that its common shares have commenced trading on the Professional Compartment of NYSE Euronext Paris.

Cliffs' common shares will trade under the symbol "CLF" and be denominated in Euros. Settlement of any transactions on Euronext is expected to occur through the book-entry facilities of Euroclear France. This listing will not alter Cliffs' share count, capital structure or current stock-listings on the New York Stock Exchange or the Chicago Stock Exchange, where the Company also trades under the symbol "CLF".

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About Cliffs Natural Resources Inc.

Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. (NYSE: CLF) is an international mining and natural resources company. The Company has a \$1.88 billion (€ 1.42 billion) market capitalization as of March 30, 2009, and at year-end Dec. 31, 2008, had \$3.6 billion in revenues and \$940 million in operating income. We are the largest producer of iron ore pellets in North America, a major supplier of direct-shipping lump and fines iron ore out of Australia and a significant producer of metallurgical coal. With core values of environmental and capital stewardship, our colleagues across the globe endeavor to provide all stakeholders operating and financial transparency as embodied in the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) framework. Our Company is organized through three geographic business units:

The North American business unit is comprised of six iron ore mines owned or managed in Michigan, Minnesota and Eastern Canada, and two coking coal mining complexes located in West Virginia and Alabama. The Asia Pacific business unit is comprised of two iron ore mining

complexes in Western Australia and a 45% economic interest in a coking and thermal coal mine in Queensland, Australia. The Latin American business unit includes a 30% interest in the Amapá Project, an iron ore project in the state of Amapá in Brazil, as well as a number of smaller greenfield projects not yet in production.

Over recent years, Cliffs has been actively executing a strategy designed to achieve scale in the mining industry and focused on serving the world's largest and fastest growing steel markets.

News releases and other information on the Company are available on the Internet at:

<http://www.cliffsnaturalresources.com> or
www.cliffsnaturalresources.com/Investors/Pages/default.aspx?b=1041&1=1

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