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Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. Calls Shareholder Meeting

CLEVELAND, April 1, 2013 – Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. (NYSE / Euronext Paris: CLF) informs its stockholders that on April 1, 2013, it filed a proxy statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the 2013 Annual Meeting to be held on May 7, 2013, at 11:30 a.m. (Cleveland Time) on the 41st floor at 200 Public Square, Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A., for the following purposes:

1. The election of directors for the nominees named in the proxy statement to act until the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders or until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified;
2. The approval of an amendment to our Second Amended Articles of Incorporation to adopt majority voting in uncontested director elections (implementation of this Proposal 2 is conditioned upon the approval of Proposals 3 and 4);
3. The approval of an amendment to our Second Amended Articles of Incorporation to eliminate cumulative voting in director elections (implementation of this Proposal 3 is conditioned upon the approval of Proposals 2 and 4);
4. The approval of an amendment to our Regulations to add a provision to allow the Board of Directors to amend the Regulations to the extent permitted under Ohio law (implementation of this Proposal 4 is conditioned upon the approval of Proposals 2 and 3);
5. The approval, on an advisory basis, of our named executive officer compensation;
6. The ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as Cliffs' independent registered public accounting firm to serve for the 2013 fiscal year; and
7. Any other matters that may properly come before such meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Only shareholders of record at the close of business on March 8, 2013, are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting and any adjournments or postponements thereof.

To obtain copies of Cliffs Natural Resources Inc.'s proxy statement and glossy annual report for its 2013 Annual Meeting, and the necessary documents to vote your shares, please consult Cliffs Natural Resources Inc.'s website at www.cliffsnaturalresources.com — under "Investors," request by email at ir@cliffsnaturalresources.com, or call 1-800-214-0739.

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