

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC  
Form DEFA14A  
September 17, 2008

**SCHEDULE 14A  
(RULE 14A-101)  
INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT**

**SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

**PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(A) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

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CLEVELAND-CLIFFS INC  
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Fellow Cliffs Colleagues:

By now you may have received materials in the mail and possibly telephone calls concerning Harbinger Capital Partners' request to increase its ownership to over 20%, but less than 33 1/3%, of Cliffs' common shares and the special shareholders meeting to be held on October 3 in response to their request. As I have explained in earlier correspondence, Cliffs Board of Directors unanimously recommends that Cliffs shareholders vote **AGAINST** the authorization of the control share acquisition.

If you are a shareholder in the company, you will receive from Cliffs proxy materials requesting your support in voting down the control share acquisition. These proxy materials include a **WHITE** proxy card.

**PLEASE VOTE THE WHITE PROXY CARD TODAY!**

**Your vote is extremely important.** We urge you to vote **AGAINST** the control share acquisition proposal today by completing, signing, dating and returning the **WHITE** proxy card and accompanying certification provided to you by Cliffs. You must complete the following steps to have your vote counted.

- 1) On the white proxy card, mark your vote **AGAINST** by checking the corresponding box.
- 2) Sign and date your white proxy card.
- 3) On the accompanying Certification As To Eligibility to Vote, if your shares are **NOT INTERESTED SHARES** then check the corresponding box (or your shares will not be fully counted).
- 4) Return both materials to the address supplied.

**Only the latest dated proxy card you vote will be counted. We urge you to simply disregard any proxy card sent to you by Harbinger or its affiliates.**

Many of you may have already received multiple mailings from Harbinger, including multiple green proxy cards. We urge you **NOT** to sign any green proxy cards sent to you by Harbinger. If you have already done so, you have every legal right to change your vote by sending in the **WHITE** proxy card and accompanying certification.

Complete information on the Control Share Acquisition Proxy, including detailed information on how to vote **AGAINST** the control share acquisition proposal, can be found at

[www.cleveland-cliffs.com/proxyfacts/pages/voteyourshares](http://www.cleveland-cliffs.com/proxyfacts/pages/voteyourshares). In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact Innisfree M&A Incorporated toll-free at (877) 456-3507

Sincerely,

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