

CLEVELAND CLIFFS INC
Form 8-K
January 05, 2006

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

January 3, 2006

Cleveland-Cliffs Inc

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

1-8944

34-1464672

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1100 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio

44114-2589

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

216-694-5700

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On and effective as of January 1, 2006, certain subsidiaries of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc (the "Company"), specifically The Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Company, Cliffs Mining Company and Cliffs Sales Company, entered into an Amended and Restated Pellet Sale and Purchase Agreement (the "Amended Agreement") with Severstal North America, Inc. ("Severstal NA").

Under the terms of the Amended Agreement and subject to certain conditions, the Company and its subsidiaries are the sole supplier of iron ore pellets to Severstal NA through 2012, with certain minimum purchase requirements for certain years. The Amended Agreement may be terminated by either party upon the occurrence of certain events.

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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.

January 5, 2006

Cleveland-Cliffs Inc

By: *George W. Hawk, Jr.*

Name: George W. Hawk, Jr.

Title: General Counsel and Secretary