



Cleveland-Cliffs' Toledo Direct Reduction plant, completed in 2020, is the first and the only producer of HBI in the Great Lakes region. This natural-gas-based plant supplies high-quality hot-briquetted iron (HBI), a low-carbon iron feedstock used in our blast furnaces, BOFs and EAFs. Producing and using HBI contributes to the company's greenhouse gas reduction initiative. Given the facility's low-cost production, the industry focus on decarbonization, the increasing scarcity of domestic prime scrap, and the growing EAF capacity in the U.S., the direct reduction plant is expected to generate significant value going forward.

Facility Facts

Plant Leadership	Brian Demos
Union Leadership	Jeff Warneck
Employees	200
Acreage	140
Capacity	1.9 million metric tons of HBI annually
Products	Hot-briquetted iron
Principal Production Facilities	Direct reduction plant, rail access, dock and heavy haul roads for operation logistics
Markets Served	Cleveland-Cliffs Steelmaking Operations

About Cleveland-Cliffs

Cleveland-Cliffs is the largest flat-rolled steel producer in North America. Founded in 1847 as a mine operator, Cliffs also is the largest manufacturer of iron ore pellets in North America. The Company is vertically integrated from mined raw materials, direct reduced iron, and ferrous scrap to primary steelmaking and downstream finishing, stamping, tooling, and tubing. The Company serves a diverse range of markets due to its comprehensive offering of flat-rolled steel products and is the largest supplier of steel to the automotive industry in North America. The Company is headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio with mining, steel and downstream manufacturing operations located across the United States and in Canada. For more information, visit www.clevelandcliffs.com.

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