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# Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. to Announce Second-Quarter 2009 Results July 29; Conference Call July 30

CLEVELAND--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Cliffs Natural Resources Inc. (NYSE: CLF) (Paris: CLF) today said it intends to announce unaudited second-quarter 2009 results after the U.S.-market close Wed., July 29, 2009.

The Company invites interested parties to listen to a live broadcast of a conference call with securities analysts and institutional investors to discuss the results.

When: Thurs., July 30, at 10 a.m. ET

Hosts: Joseph A. Carrabba, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Laurie Brlas, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Steven R. Baisden, Director, Investor Relations and Corporate Communications

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If you are unable to participate during the live webcast, the call will be archived at <http://www.cliffsnaturalresources.com> for 30 days.

To be added to Cliffs Natural Resources' e-mail distribution list, please click on the link below:

<http://www.cpg-llc.com/clearsite/clf/emailoptin.html>

About Cliffs Natural Resources Inc.

Cliffs Natural Resources is an international mining and natural resources company. 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 by the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) framework. Our company is organized into the following 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 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 Amapa Project, an iron ore project in the state of Amapa in Brazil.

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](http://www.cliffsnaturalresources.com/Investors/Pages/default.aspx?b=1041&1=1)

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