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Form **990-PF**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Private Foundation**

or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

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OMB No 1545-0052

2014**Open to Public Inspection****For calendar year 2014 or tax year beginning****, 2014, and ending****, 20**

Name of foundation

THE CLIFFS FOUNDATION

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address)

Room/suite

200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 3300

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

G Check all that apply☐ Initial return☐ Initial return of a former public charity☐ Final return☐ Amended return☐ Address change☐ Name change**H** Check type of organization☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust☐ Other taxable private foundation**I** Fair market value of all assets at

end of year (from Part II, col (c), line

16) ▶ \$

4,803,899

J Accounting method☒ Cash☐ Accrual☐ Other (specify) _____

(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)

A Employer identification number

34-6525124

B Telephone number (see instructions)

216-694-5700

C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐**D** 1. Foreign organizations, check here ☐2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐**E** If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐**F** If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐**Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses** (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))

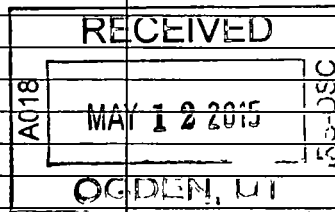
(a) Revenue and expenses per books

(b) Net investment income

(c) Adjusted net income

(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	1,750,000			
	2	Check ☐ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
	4	Dividends and interest from securities	6,840	6,840	6,840	
	5a	Gross rents				
	b	Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a	Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10				
	b	Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a				
	7	Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)				
	8	Net short-term capital gain				
	9	Income modifications				
	10a	Gross sales less returns and allowances				
b	Less Cost of goods sold					
c	Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)					
11	Other income (attach schedule)					
12	Total. Add lines 1 through 11	1,756,840	6,840	6,840		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13	Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.				
	14	Other employee salaries and wages				
	15	Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a	Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b	Accounting fees (attach schedule)				
	c	Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17	Interest				
	18	Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)				
	19	Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20	Occupancy				
	21	Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22	Printing and publications				
	23	Other expenses (attach schedule)	(334)			(334)
	24	Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	(334)			(334)
	25	Contributions, gifts, grants paid	1,880,337			1,880,337
26	Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	1,880,003			1,880,003	
27	Subtract line 26 from line 12					
a	Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	(123,163)				
b	Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		6,840			
c	Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			6,840		



Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value		
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing			4,927,062	4,803,899	4,803,899
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments					
	3 Accounts receivable ▶					
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶					
	4 Pledges receivable ▶					
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶					
	5 Grants receivable					
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions)					
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶					
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶					
	8 Inventories for sale or use					
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges					
	10 a Investments - U S and state government obligations (attach schedule),					
	b Investments - corporate stock (attach schedule)					
	c Investments - corporate bonds (attach schedule)					
Liabilities	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis					
	Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶					
	12 Investments - mortgage loans					
	13 Investments - other (attach schedule)					
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis					
	Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶					
	15 Other assets (describe ▶)					
	16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)			4,927,062	4,803,899	4,803,899
	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses					
	18 Grants payable					
Net Assets or Fund Balances	19 Deferred revenue					
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons					
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)					
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)					
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)					
	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here . ▶ ☐ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.					
	24 Unrestricted			4,927,062	4,803,899	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	25 Temporarily restricted					
	26 Permanently restricted					
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, . . . ▶ ☐ check here and complete lines 27 through 31.					
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds					
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund					
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds					
	30 Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)			4,927,062	4,803,899	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)			4,927,062	4,803,899	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	4,927,062
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	(123,163)
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	4,803,899
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	4,803,899

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)			(b) How acquired P - Purchase D - Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)		
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(i) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))		
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any			
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 2				
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8 3				

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see the instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2013	1,958,284	4,666,478	0.4196
2012	1,487,650	4,121,012	0.3610
2011	2,420,112	4,230,310	0.5721
2010	1,171,994	3,600,498	0.3255
2009	1,786,266	2,361,821	0.7563
2 Total of line 1, column (d)			2.4345
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years			0.4869
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2014 from Part X, line 5			4,339,677
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3			2,112,989
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)			68
7 Add lines 5 and 6			2,113,057
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions			1,880,003

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 - see instructions)

1a Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1 . . .		1	137
Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary - see instructions)			
b Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☐ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b			
c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)			
2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-) . . .		2	
3 Add lines 1 and 2		3	137
4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-) . . .		4	
5 Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3 If zero or less, enter -0-		5	137
6 Credits/Payments			
a 2014 estimated tax payments and 2013 overpayment credited to 2014 . . .	6a	150	
b Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source	6b		
c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c		
d Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d		
7 Total credits and payments Add lines 6a through 6d	7	150	
8 Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8		
9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9		
10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	13	
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2015 estimated tax ☐ 13 Refunded ☐ 11	11		

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for the definition)? <i>If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities</i>		X
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year (1) On the foundation ☐ \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers ☐ \$ _____		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ☐ \$ _____		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? <i>If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities</i>		X
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes</i>		X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		X
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T</i>		X
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	X	
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV</i>	X	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ☐		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by <i>General Instruction G</i> ? <i>If "No," attach explanation</i>	X	
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2014 or the taxable year beginning in 2014 (see instructions for Part XIV)? <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV</i>		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses</i>		X

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).	11		X
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions).	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address <u>N/A</u>	13	X	
14	The books are in care of <u>P. KELLY TOMPKINS</u> Telephone no <u>216-694-5700</u> Located at <u>200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 3300 CLEVELAND, OH</u> ZIP+4 <u>44114</u>			
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here ☐ and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year. <u>15</u>			
16	At any time during calendar year 2014, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, (formerly TD F 90-22.1) If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country <u></u>	16	Yes	No X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

	Yes	No
1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)		
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days). ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ☐	1b	
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2014?	1c	X
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))		
a At the end of tax year 2014, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2014? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years <u></u>		
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see instructions)	2b	
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here <u></u>		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2014 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2014)	3b	
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	X
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2014?	4b	X

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Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to				
(1)	Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?	☐ Yes	☒ No	
(2)	Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	☐ Yes	☒ No	
(3)	Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	☐ Yes	☒ No	
(4)	Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions).	☐ Yes	☒ No	
(5)	Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?	☐ Yes	☒ No	
b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?				5b
Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here				
c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?		☐ Yes	☒ No	
If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d)				
6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		☐ Yes	☒ No	
b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?				6b
If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870				X
7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		☐ Yes	☒ No	
b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?				7b

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors**1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).**

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE				

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1 - see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000. ▶

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

Expenses

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Amount

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Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	4,405,763
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	4,405,763
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	4,405,763
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	66,086
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	4,339,677
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	216,984

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	216,984
2a	Tax on investment income for 2014 from Part VI, line 5	2a	137
b	Income tax for 2014 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	137
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	216,847
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	216,847
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	216,847

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	1,880,003
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	1,880,003
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions)	5	
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	1,880,003

Note. The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2013	(c) 2013	(d) 2014
1 Distributable amount for 2014 from Part XI, line 7				216,847
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2014				
a Enter amount for 2013 only				
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2014				
a From 2009 1,668,239				
b From 2010 992,147				
c From 2011 2,208,684				
d From 2012 1,281,760				
e From 2013 1,725,106				
f Total of lines 3a through e	7,875,936			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2014 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 1,880,003				
a Applied to 2013, but not more than line 2a . . .				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions)				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions)				
d Applied to 2014 distributable amount				
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus . .	1,663,156			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2014 . (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))				
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	9,539,092			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount - see instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2013 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount - see instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2015				216,847
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions)				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2009 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions) . . .	1,668,239			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2015. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	7,870,853			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2010 992,147				
b Excess from 2011 2,208,684				
c Excess from 2012 1,281,760				
d Excess from 2013 1,725,106				
e Excess from 2014 1,663,156				

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1 a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2014, enter the date of the ruling **N/A**

b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2014	(b) 2013	(c) 2012	(d) 2011	
2 a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed					
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed					
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c					
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a "Assets" alternative test - enter					
(1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b "Endowment" alternative test - enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed					
c "Support" alternative test - enter					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year - see instructions.)

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))

b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here ☐ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

a The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address of the person to whom applications should be addressed

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b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE IN WRITING AND SHOULD GIVE DETAILS OF HOW CONTRIBUTIONS WOULD BE USED.

c Any submission deadlines

NONE

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

NONE

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)**.3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE				
Total			▶ 3a	
b Approved for future payment SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE				
Total			▶ 3b	

*Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations)

Line No.	Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes) (See instructions)
▼	

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Schedule B(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Schedule of Contributors**

OMB No 1545-0047

2014▶ **Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.**▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

THE CLIFFS FOUNDATION

34-6525124

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☐ 501(c)() (enter number) organization☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundationCheck if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.**Note.** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.**General Rule**

- ☒
- For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3 % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ _____

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization THE CLIFFS FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 34-6525124
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Part I Contributors (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
	CLIFFS NATURAL RESOURCES 200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 3300 CLEVELAND, OH 44114	\$ 1,750,000.00	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
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SCHEDULES ATTACHED

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2014 FORM 990-PF, RETURN OF PRIVATE FOUNDATION
PART I, LINE 1, COLUMN A -- GROSS CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

		<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Cliffs Natural Resources	200 Public Square, Suite 3300 Cleveland, OH 44114	Various	\$1,750,000

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2014 FORM 990-PF, RETURN OF PRIVATE FOUNDATION
PART I -- EXPENSES

Line 23 -- Other Expenses

Filing Fees-State of Ohio
Administration

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2014 FORM 990-PF, RETURN OF PRIVATE FOUNDATION
PART VIII -- SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES
MANAGERS OF THE CLIFFS FOUNDATION

Lourenco Goncalves	President and Trustee	200 Public Square, Suite 3300 Cleveland, Ohio 44114
Dwayne M. Petish	Treasurer and Trustee	200 Public Square, Suite 3300 Cleveland, Ohio 44114
James D Graham	Secretary & Trustee	200 Public Square, Suite 3300 Cleveland, Ohio 44114
P Kelly Tompkins	Chief Financial Officer & Trustee	200 Public Square, Suite 3300 Cleveland, Ohio 44114
David T Cartella	Vice President & Trustee	200 Public Square, Suite 3300 Cleveland, Ohio 44114

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Contributions Approved for Future Payment
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<u>Recipient's Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Purpose of Contribution</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Education			
Michigan Tech Fund	Houghton, MI	Operating	\$ 50,000
Northern Michigan University	Marquette, MI	Operating	50,000
Volunteers in Education	Eveleth, MN	Operating	10,000
AIST Foundation	Warrendale, PA	Operating	10,000
Case Western Reserve University	Cleveland, OH	Operating	10,000
Ishpeming Carnegie Public Library	Ishpeming, MI	Operating	5,000
Healthy Communities			
Marquette General Health Systems	Marquette, MI	Operating	\$ 50,000
University Hospital Health Systems	Cleveland, OH	Operating	45,000
Room at the Inn	Marquette, MI	Capital	40,000
Boys & Girls Clubs	Cleveland, OH	Operating	25,000
Bay Cliff Health Camp	Big Bay, MI	Operating	10,000
Duluth-Superior Area Community Foundation	Eveleth, MN	Operating	10,000
Range Mental Health	Virginia, MN	Capital	10,000
Salvation Army	Hibbing, MN	Operating	10,000
YMCA	Virginia, MN	Capital	10,000
East Range Development Achievement Center	Eveleth, MN	Operating	5,000
Vibrant Communities			
Playhouse Square Foundation	Cleveland, OH	Capital	\$ 166,666
Great Lakes Museum of Environment & Technology	Cleveland, OH	Operating	100,000
Iron Ore Heritage Recreation Authority	Marquette, MI	Capital	50,000
Michigan Historical Center Foundation	Lansing, MI	Operating	40,000
Gordon Square Arts District	Cleveland, OH	Capital	20,000
Habitat for Humanity	Americus, GA	Operating	10,000
Superiorland Ski Club	Marquette, MI	Operating	10,000
Ely Blue Line Club	Ely, MN	Operating	5,000
Veterans Memorial Hall	Duluth, MN	Operating	5,000
Total			\$ 756,666

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Contributions Paid in 2014
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Recipient's Name	Location	Amount
Education - Other		
Entrepreneur Prep School	Cleveland, OH	\$ 200,000
Michigan Tech Fund	Houghton, MI	50,000
Northern Michigan University Foundation	Marquette, MI	50,000
College Now of Greater Cleveland	Cleveland, OH	36,000
Ishpeming Township/NICE Community Schools	Ishpeming, MI	25,500
Logan County School District/Buffalo Elementary	Logan County, WV	20,000
Logan County School District/Buffalo Elementary	Logan County, WV	20,000
South Dakota School of Mines	Rapid City, SD	20,000
Southern West Virginia Community College	Logan County, WV	20,000
Volunteers in Education	Tower, MN	10,000
Ironworld Development Corporation	Chisholm, MN	18,000
AIST Foundation	Warrendale, PA	10,000
Case Western Reserve University	Cleveland, OH	10,000
Michigan Tech	Houghton, MI	10,000
Ishpeming Public Schools/Birchview Elementary	Ishpeming, MI	10,000
Northern Lights Community School	Grand Rapids, MN	10,000
NICE Community Schools (Marquette County)	Ishpeming, MI	10,000
Teaching Family Homes	Marquette, MI	10,000
Better Basics	Birmingham, AL	7,500
Big Creek People in Action	WV, Caretta	7,500
Cabell County Public Library	Huntington, WV	7,500
Jefferson County Board of Education/Oak Grove Elementary	Birmingham, AL	6,500
4-H Wyoming County/Energy Express	Morgantown, WV	5,000
Cleveland State University	Cleveland, OH	5,000
Ishpeming Carnegie Library	Ishpeming, MI	5,000
Kent State University	Kent, OH	5,000
Lake Superior Independent School District	Two Harbors, MN	5,000
Marquette Area Public Schools	Marquette, MI	5,000
SME Foundation	Littleton, CO	5,000
Superior String Alliance	Marquette, MI	5,000
Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center	Finland, MN	5,000
4-H Wyoming County/Summer Camp	Morgantown, WV	3,000
Boys Hope & Girls Hope	Cleveland, OH	2,500
Newspapers in Education	San Francisco, CA	1,500
Northeastern Ohio Science and Engineering Fair	Cleveland, OH	1,000
Ideastream	Cleveland, OH	1,000
Subtotal - Education (Other)		\$ 622,500

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Recipient's Name	Location	Amount
Education - Matching Gifts		\$
Case Western Reserve University	Cleveland, OH	200
Cathedral High School	St. Cloud, MN	250
Central Catholic High School	Wheeling, WV	250
Franciscan University of Steubenville	Steubenville, OH	4,000
Friends of McGill University	New York, NY	300
Miami Univeristy	Oxford, OH	100
Michigan Tech Fund	Houghton, MI	1,050
Northern Michigan University Foundation	Marquette, MI	516
Notre Dame College	South Euclid, OH	125
St. Ignatius High School	Cleveland, OH	300
Temple University	Philadelphia, PA	2,000
University of Minnesota	Minneapolis, MN	25
University of Notre Dame	Notre Dame, IN	4,500
Vanderbilt University	Nashville, OH	100
Subtotal - Education (Matching Gifts)		\$ 13,716

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Recipient's Name	Location	Amount
Health & Human Services		
University Hospital Health Systems	Cleveland, OH	\$ 85,000
United Way/Employee, Retiree match	Cleveland, OH	70,363
Marquette General Health Systems	Marquette, MI	50,000
Room at the Inn	Marquette, MI	40,000
Boys & Girls Clubs	Cleveland, OH	25,000
Marquette-Alger Youth Foundation/Great Lakes Center for Youth Development	Marquette, MI	25,000
Big Creek People in Action	Caretta, WV	20,000
Grace House	Fairfield, AL	15,000
The Way America/Wyoming County Youth Center	Mullens, WV	15,000
Itmann Food Bank	Mullens, WV	10,000
Women's Center/Harbor House	Marquette, MI	12,500
Central Mesabi Medical Foundation	Hibbing, MN	12,000
American Red Cross	Washington, DC	10,000
Bay Cliff Health Camp	Marquette, MI	10,000
Duluth-Superior Area Community Foundation/Eveleth Foundation	Eveleth, MN	10,000
Hunger Solutions Minnesota	Arden Hills, MN	10,000
Salvation Army/Hibbing	Des Plaines, IL	10,000
Children's Dental Services	Minneapolis, MN	10,000
Advocates for Family Peace	Grand Rapids, MN	7,500
United Way Services/Loaned Executive Program	Cleveland, OH	7,500
United Way Services/Employee match	Duluth, MN	6,042
Community Foodbank of Central Alabama	Birmingham, AL	5,250
A. G. Gaston Boys Club (Alabama)	Birmingham, AL	5,000
Buffalo Creek Watershed Association	Amherstdale, WV	5,000
Friendship Ventures	Annandale, MN	5,000
Child & Family Services	Marquette, MI	5,000
Greater Cleveland Food Bank	Cleveland, OH	5,000
Community Partners Two Harbors Block Nurse Program	Two Harbors, MN	5,000
East Range Development Achievement Center	Eveleth, MN	5,000
Hands of Hope Ministries/Weekend food back program	McDowell County, WV	5,000
Logan County Child Advocacy Center	Logan County, WV	5,000
St. Vincent DePaul/Foodbank	Marquette, MI	5,000
Northshore Area Partners (Silver Bay)	Silver Bay, MN	5,000
Project Care Free Clinic	Hibbing, MN	5,000
Range Mental Health Center	Virginia, MN	5,000
Range Mental Health Center	Virginia, MN	5,000
Range Respite	Virginia, MN	5,000
Salvation Army/Marquette	Marquette, MI	5,000
Salvation Army/Wisconsin & Upper Michigan	Wauwatosa, WI	5,000
Church of God/Samaritan Heart Food Pantry	Oceana, WV	5,000
Second Harvest Northern Lakes Food Bank	Duluth, MN	5,000
American Red Cross/Typhoon relief	Cleveland, OH	4,300
4-H McDowell County/Summer camp	Welch, WV	3,000
Five Loaves & Two Fishes Foodbank	Roderfield, WV	3,000
Hungry Lamb Food Initiative	Logan, WV	2,500
Northwoods Hospice Respite Partners	Ely, MN	2,500
Pathways	Birmingham, AL	2,500
People Development Center	Fairfield, AL	2,500
United Way of Northeastern Minnesota/Backpack program	Chisholm, MN	2,500

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Huff Creek Watershed Association	Cyclone, WV	2,000
Mesabi Family YMCA	Virginia, MN	2,000
Boy Scouts-Voyageurs Area Council	Irving, TX	1,500
Boys & Girls Clubs	Cleveland, OH	1,000
Foodbank Council of Michigan/Harvest Gathering	Lansing, MI	1,000
Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation	Chicago, IL	1,000
Subtotal - Health & Human Services		\$ 592,455

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Recipient's Name	Location	Amount
Civic		
Iron Ore Heritage Recreation Authority	Marquette, MI	\$ 50,000
City of Babbitt/Children's Playground	Babbitt, MN	22,000
Gordon Square Arts District	Cleveland, OH	15,000
Richmond Township Emergency Medical Services	Palmer, MI	15,000
Negaunee Fire Department	Negaunee, MI	12,500
Forsyth Township/Fire Protection	Forsyth Township, MI	10,000
Habitat for Humanity	Americus, GA	10,000
Superiorland Cross Country Ski Club	Marquette, MI	10,000
Friends of the Two Harbors Public Library	Two Harbors, MN	10,000
Ely Blue Line Club	Ely, MN	5,000
Eveleth Westside Civic League	Eveleth, MN	5,000
Lake Superior Community Partnership	Marquette, MI	5,000
Noquemanon Trail Network	Marquette, MI	5,000
City of Silver Bay/Blue Line Club Hockey Assoc.	Silver Bay, MN	5,000
St. Louis County Hist. Soc./Veterans Memorial Hall	Duluth, MN	5,000
Happy Trails	Ravenna, OH	4,700
4-H Wyoming County/Mullens Dogwood Festival	Maben, WV	3,000
Safe Routes to School National Partnership	Fairfax, CA	2,500
Tourist Center Senior Citizens	Hibbing, MN	2,300
Subtotal - Civic		\$ 197,000
Culture		
Playhouse Square Foundation	Cleveland, OH	\$ 166,666
Musical Arts Association	Cleveland, OH	125,000
Great Lakes Museum of Environment & Technology	Cleveland, OH	100,000
Michigan Historical Center Foundation	Lansing, MI	40,000
Northern Lake County Arts	Silver Bay, MN	5,000
Ironworld Development Corporation	Chisholm, MN	4,000
Northern Lights Musical Festival	Virginia, MN	3,000
Marquette Range Iron Mining Heritage Theme Park	Ishpeming, MI	2,500
Schroeder Historical Society	Duluth, MN	2,500
Pine Mountain Music Festival	Hancock, MI	2,000
Mesabi Community Orchestra	Virginia, MN	1,500
Minnesota Museum of Mining	Chisholm, MN	1,500
Mesaba Concert Association	Hibbing, MN	1,000
Subtotal - Culture		\$ 454,666
Other		
Treasurer of the State of Ohio		\$ 200
Subtotal - Other		\$ 200
Grand Total		\$ 1,880,537