

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

- A This return/report is for: [] a multiemployer plan [] a multiple-employer plan... [X] a single-employer plan... B This return/report is: [] the first return/report [] the final return/report... C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here... [X] D Check box if filing under: [] Form 5558 [] automatic extension... E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here... []

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan: CLEVELAND-CLIFFS STEEL CORPORATION SUPPLEMENTAL UN BENEFIT PLAN FOR EES OF EMPIRE-DETROIT DIV., MANSF CYCLOPS CORP
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 522
1c Effective date of plan: 09/01/1961
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): CLEVELAND-CLIFFS STEEL CORPORATION
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 31-1267098
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 513-425-5000
2d Business code (see instructions): 331110

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature of plan administrator, Date, and Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator. Includes entries for plan administrator and employer/plan sponsor.

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<p>3a Plan administrator's name and address <input type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor</p> <p>CLEVELAND-CLIFFS, INC. INVESTMENT CMTE</p> <p>9227 CENTRE POINTE DRIVE WEST CHESTER, OH 45069</p>	<p>3b Administrator's EIN 31-1267098</p> <p>3c Administrator's telephone number 513-425-5000</p>
<p>4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report:</p> <p>a Sponsor's name</p> <p>c Plan Name</p>	<p>4b EIN</p> <p>4d PN</p>
<p>5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year</p>	<p>5 341</p>
<p>6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1), 6a(2), 6b, 6c, and 6d).</p> <p>a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year</p> <p>a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year</p> <p>b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....</p> <p>c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits</p> <p>d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2), 6b, and 6c.....</p> <p>e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.</p> <p>f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e</p> <p>g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)</p> <p>g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)</p> <p>h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....</p>	<p>6a(1) 341</p> <p>6a(2) 316</p> <p>6b</p> <p>6c</p> <p>6d 316</p> <p>6e</p> <p>6f</p> <p>6g(1)</p> <p>6g(2)</p> <p>6h</p>
<p>7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)</p>	<p>7</p>

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

4C

<p>9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)</p> <p>(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts</p> <p>(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust</p> <p>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor</p>	<p>9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)</p> <p>(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts</p> <p>(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust</p> <p>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor</p>
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

<p>a Pension Schedules</p> <p>(1) <input type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information)</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary</p> <p>(3) <input type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary</p> <p>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____</p> <p>(5) <input type="checkbox"/> MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)</p>	<p>b General Schedules</p> <p>(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information)</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information – Small Plan)</p> <p>(3) <input type="checkbox"/> A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached _____</p> <p>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information)</p> <p>(5) <input type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information)</p> <p>(6) <input type="checkbox"/> G (Financial Transaction Schedules)</p>
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Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) Yes No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) Yes No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2024 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2024 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024			
A Name of plan CLEVELAND-CLIFFS STEEL CORPORATION SUPPLEMENTAL UN BENEFIT PLAN FOR EES OF EMPIRE-DETROIT DIV., MANSF CYCLOPS CORP	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:80%;">B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</td> <td style="width:20%; text-align: center;">522</td> </tr> </table>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	522
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CLEVELAND-CLIFFS STEEL CORPORATION	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:80%;">D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 31-1267098</td> </tr> </table>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 31-1267098	
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Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
Assets			
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	547223	546723
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	49316	45222
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	1f	596539	591945
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g		
h Operating payables.....	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j	1167	2567
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	1167	2567
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	595372	589378

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)		
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)		
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)	2556	
(B) U.S. Government securities.....	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		2556
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock.....	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:			
(A) Aggregate proceeds.....	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result.....	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:			
(A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		2556

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	1600	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		1600
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	5050	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	1900	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		6950
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		8550

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		-5994
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) Unmodified (2) Qualified (3) Disclaimer (4) Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: **MEADEN & MOORE, LTD**

(2) EIN: **34-1818258**

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1) This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG or MTIA. (2) It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		10000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)			
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? Yes No
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) Yes No Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
WITH
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**CLEVELAND-CLIFFS STEEL CORPORATION SUPPLEMENTAL UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN
FOR EMPLOYEES OF EMPIRE-DETROIT DIV., MANSFIELD, OHIO PLANT, CYCLOPS CORP.**

December 31, 2024

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To the Plan Administrator for the
Cleveland-Cliffs Steel Corporation Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan for Employees of
Empire-Detroit Div., Mansfield, Ohio Plan, Cyclops Corp.

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Cleveland-Cliffs Steel Corporation Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan for Employees of Empire-Detroit Div., Mansfield, Ohio Plan, Cyclops Corp. (the "Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments, administering the Plan, and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control–related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matter—Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental Schedule of Assets Held for Investment Purposes at End of Year as of December 31, 2024 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion, the information in the accompanying schedule is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and the form and content are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Meaden & Moore, Ltd." in a cursive script.

Meaden & Moore, Ltd.
Cleveland, Ohio
June 30, 2025

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

Cleveland-Cliffs Steel Corporation Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan for Employees of Empire-Detroit Div., Mansfield, Ohio Plant, Cyclops Corp.

	(In Thousands)	
	Year Ended December 31,	
	2024	2023
Investments at fair value - money market fund	\$ 45	\$ 49
Collateral receivable	547	547
Total Assets	592	596
LIABILITIES		
Accrued trustee fees	(3)	(1)
Total Liabilities	(3)	(1)
Net Assets Available for Benefits	\$ 589	\$ 595

See accompanying notes.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

Cleveland-Cliffs Steel Corporation Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan for Employees of Empire-Detroit Div., Mansfield, Ohio Plant, Cyclops Corp.

	(In Thousands)	
	Year Ended December 31,	
	2024	
Interest income	\$	3
Benefits paid directly to participants		(2)
Administrative expenses		(7)
Net decrease		(6)
Net Assets Available for Benefits:		
Beginning of year		595
End of year	\$	589

See accompanying notes.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Cleveland-Cliffs Steel Corporation Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan for Employees of Empire-Detroit Div., Mansfield, Ohio Plant, Cyclops Corp.

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of Cleveland-Cliffs Steel Corporation Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan for Employees of Empire-Detroit Div., Mansfield, Ohio Plant, Cyclops Corp. (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

GENERAL

The Plan was established to provide supplemental unemployment for eligible employees of Cleveland-Cliffs Steel Corporation, formerly known as the AK Steel Corporation, (the "Company") in connection with negotiated contracts between the Company and the United Steelworkers of America ("USWA") at the Mansfield Works facility. Eligible employees are those who have completed at least two years of service. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

ELIGIBILITY

Participants are eligible to receive supplemental unemployment benefits for any week of unemployment or short week during which they have not performed work within either the geographical or craft jurisdiction of USWA and have satisfied other conditions, as outlined in the plan agreement. The weekly benefit is determined by a formula detailed in the plan agreement and is reduced by any state unemployment benefits or other compensation received based on the amount of plan assets at the time of payment. Weekly benefits are limited to certain maximums, as defined in the plan agreement.

Employees earn credits that are used to determine supplemental unemployment benefits. Employees with 20 or more years of service may be entitled to a maximum of 104 weeks of benefits. The Plan provides for a possible reduction or elimination of weekly benefits for employees with less than 20 years of service based upon a percentage determined in substantially the same manner as the Company's contribution. The benefit formula is based on the employee's straight-time earnings.

CONTRIBUTIONS

The Company's obligation to make contributions to the Plan is based on the contributory hours worked by all covered employees, as defined in the plan agreement. This obligation to make contributions is recognized as collateral receivable by the Plan. The Company's contributions to the trust reduce the collateral receivable recognized by the Plan. Contributions into the trust are made only as required by the Plan to make benefit payments.

The Plan provides for unreduced weekly benefits for employees with 20 or more years of service. During any month in which regular benefits are, or might otherwise be, reduced, the Company will advance sufficient funds to pay unreduced benefits. In addition, the Company may advance funds to the Plan when unreduced benefits to be paid exceed the amount of cash and investments on hand at the benefit payment date. Such advances reduce future monthly contributions by the Company in accordance with the plan provisions. There were no such advances outstanding as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

COLLATERAL RECEIVABLE

Collateral receivable represent amounts owed to the Plan by the Company under the collective bargaining agreement.

PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain plan assets are in investment funds managed by KeyBank National Association (the "Trustee") or its affiliates; therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions, as defined under ERISA guidelines.

ADMINISTRATION

The Company sponsors and administers the plan in accordance with the agreement. The Investment Committee of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc. has responsibility for the management and control of the assets of the fund held by the Trustee. The Trustee functions as investment manager. Investment management fees and trustee fees are paid by the Plan in accordance with the plan agreement.

PLAN TERMINATION

While it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to modify the benefits provided to employees and to terminate the Plan, subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA. If the Company terminates or partially terminates the Plan, the net assets of the Plan will be used to pay the exclusive benefits of any remaining employees covered by the Plan.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The Plan's transactions are reported on the accrual basis of accounting.

INVESTMENT VALUATION AND INCOME RECOGNITION

Investments held by the Plan are stated at fair value. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 4 for further discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded as earned. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

PAYMENT OF BENEFITS

Benefits are recorded when paid.

ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

Administrative expenses of the Plan, such as audit fees, salaries and use of facilities, are paid by the Company.

USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of additions and deductions during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in a money market fund as the primary investment security. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

Benefit obligations represent the ultimate cost to the Plan of settling claims for participants who may be eligible for benefits that result in layoff. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these estimates and assumptions in the near term would be material to the financial statements.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management evaluates events occurring subsequent to the date of the financial statements in determining the accounting for and disclosure of transactions and events that affect the financial statements.

The financial statements and related disclosures include evaluation of events up through and including June 30, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 3 - TAX STATUS

The trust established under the Plan to hold the Plan's assets is intended to qualify pursuant to Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"), and, accordingly, the trust's net investment income is generally exempt from income taxes. The Company believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with applicable requirements of the Code. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken uncertain tax positions that more-likely-than-not would not be sustained upon examination by applicable taxing authorities. The plan administrator has analyzed tax positions taken by the Plan and has concluded that, as of December 31, 2024, there are no uncertain tax positions taken, or expected to be taken, that would require recognition of a liability or that would require disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by tax jurisdictions. However, currently no audits for any tax periods are in progress.

NOTE 4 - FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, establishes a three-level valuation hierarchy for classification of fair value measurements. The valuation hierarchy is based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs are inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from independent sources. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect our own views about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized below:

- Level 1 — Valuation is based upon quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.
- Level 2 — Valuation is based upon quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, or other inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.
- Level 3 — Valuation is based upon other unobservable inputs that are significant to the fair value measurement.

The classification of assets and liabilities within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

MONEY MARKET FUND

The KT Short Term Investment Fund is a money market fund that is classified as a Level 1 investment.

NOTE 5 - BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

The Plan's benefit obligation represents the amounts due to participants for events that have occurred that give rise to a benefit under the terms of the Plan. Benefit obligations for unknown events have not been provided for since they are not reasonably estimable. To determine the Plan's benefit obligations, management considers eligibility credits accumulated at year end, the funded status of the Plan, expected changes to the workforce, the availability of state unemployment benefits, and historical layoffs and benefit payments.

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company had no plans that would result in a significant layoff of eligible employees in the Plan. Therefore, no benefit obligation had been recognized as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES AT END OF YEAR
Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i

Cleveland-Cliffs Steel Corporation Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan for Employees of Empire-Detroit Div., Mansfield, Ohio Plant,
 Cyclops Corp.

EIN 31-1267098
 Plan No. 522

December 31, 2024

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Form 5500

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security
Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.**

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

- A** This return/report is for: a multiemployer plan a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
- B** This return/report is: a single-employer plan a DFE (specify) _____
 the first return/report the final return/report
 an amended return/report a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
- C** If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here
- D** Check box if filing under: Form 5558 automatic extension the DFVC program
 special extension (enter description)
- E** If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here

Part II Basic Plan Information - enter all requested information

1a Name of plan CLEVELAND-CLIFFS STEEL CORPORATION SUPPLEMENTAL UN BENEFIT PLAN FOR EES OF EMPIRE-DETROIT DIV., MANSF CYCLOPS CORP	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	522
	1c Effective date of plan	09/01/1961
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) CLEVELAND-CLIFFS STEEL CORPORATION 9227 CENTRE POINTE DRIVE WEST CHESTER OH 45069	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)	31-1267098
	2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number	513-425-5000
	2d Business code (see instructions)	331110

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	<i>Abigail T. Ducharme</i>	07/23/2025	ABIGAIL DUCHARME
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	<i>Abigail T. Ducharme</i>	07/23/2025	ABIGAIL DUCHARME
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor CLEVELAND-CLIFFS, INC. INVESTMENT CMTE 9227 CENTRE POINTE DRIVE WEST CHESTER OH 45069	3b Administrator's EIN 31-1267098 <hr/> 3c Administrator's telephone number 513-425-5000
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4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
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5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	341
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1), 6a(2), 6b, 6c, and 6d).		
a (1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year	6a(1)	341
a (2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2)	316
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	6b	
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c	
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2), 6b, and 6c	6d	316
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits	6e	
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f	
g (1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(1)	
(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(2)	
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6h	
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

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9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules (1) <input type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) <input type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (4) <input type="checkbox"/> DCG (Individual Plan Information) - Number Attached _____ (5) <input type="checkbox"/> MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	b General Schedules (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information - Small Plan) (3) <input type="checkbox"/> A (Insurance Information) - Number Attached _____ (4) <input type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information) (5) <input type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) <input type="checkbox"/> G (Financial Transaction Schedules)
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Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) Yes No
If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ... Yes No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2024 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2024 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____