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In September 2002, the Company re



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The Company sold 3.0 million tons to Rou



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STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS

The Company intends to continue to pursue investment and operations management opportunities to broaden its scope as a supplier of iron ore pellets to the integrated steel industry through the acquisition of additional mining interests to strengthen its market position. The Company is particularly focused on expanding its international investments to leverage its expertise in processing low grade ores to capitalize on global demand for steel and iron ore in areas such as China. The Company's innovative United Taconite joint venture with Laiwu is one example of its ability to expand geographically, and the Company intends to continue to pursue similar opportunities in other regions (see discussion on Venezuela below). In the event of a





PART II — OTHER INFORMATION

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5. The registrant's other certification is based on the registration of the



CERTIFICATION

I, Donald J. Gallagher, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on


