

Conflict Minerals

The US Dodd-Frank Act on reforming the legislation of US financial markets by improvement of responsibility and transparency, was ratified by US President Obama in July 2010. Section 1502 of said Act addresses specifically Conflict Minerals mined in Democratic Republic Kongo as well as in its neighboring countries, and clearly states tungsten, cassiterite, columbite-tantalite,

gold and the metals tantalum, tin and wolfram derived therefrom.

According the Act, companies processing these substances/materials and which are listed at the US stock exchange markets, are obliged for annual approval, whether by mining of said materials – in case they are essential for the manufacturing or function of the products - armed groups of rebels were supported. All companies concerned are obliged to disclose, if conflict minerals are used in its products and in case yes, whether these have their origin in DR Kongo or its neighboring countries.

We, the company SCHEUERMANN+HEILIG GmbH underlie no legal obligation, which obliges us to fulfill the requirements on Conflict Mineral according to Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act. Nevertheless we are well aware of our social responsibility in regards of the environment, security, healthiness as well as of the human rights. Explicitly we reference, that under no circumstances we will knowingly or willfully use Conflict Minerals delivered by smelters without proper certification or having their seat of business in Conflict Regions. We support our customers by their reporting duties, by providing all information relevant to them.

In order to be able to answer to our customers at our best, we are checking our own supply chain regarding Conflict Minerals, by help of the Conflict Mineral Reporting Template, which was developed and released by the Conflict-Free Sourcing Initiative (CFSI), in order to clearly identify the country of origin of the minerals, as well as all smelters and/or refineries involved.

We strongly require our supplier base, to procure the 3TG material ratio, contained in the products they deliver to us, exclusively at conflict free and certified smelters (e.g. smelters, which Due-Diligence practices were approved by independent authorities). Also all suppliers are required to inform SH of the names of the respective smelters involved, by use of the Conflict Minerals Reporting Template.

This policy as well as its associated processes are an essential element of our management system, particularly with regards to our procurement principles.

Hainstadt, 10.09.2019

(Place, Date, Signature)

