



AIM Metals & Alloys LP

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Re: Minerals Sourcing Statement

To our valued customers,

AIM Metals & Alloys LP (AIM) is a proud member of the IPC Solder Products Value Council (SPVC). The SPVC supports governments, non-governmental organizations and industry groups in their efforts to eliminate trade of "Conflict Minerals", especially illegally mined tin, from the Democratic Republic of the Congo and its adjoining countries.

In July 2010, the United States enacted the Conflict Minerals provisions of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, HR 4173, Section 1502 ("Conflict Minerals Act"). The Conflict Minerals Act requires, among other things, that companies perform due diligence on their supply chains regarding the source of conflict minerals defined in the Conflict Minerals Act to ensure such conflict metals are "DRC conflict free". Conflict minerals are defined in Section 1502 of the Conflict Minerals Act as *cassiterite (a primary tin ore)*, *columbite-tantalite (coltan, the mineral from which tantalum is extracted)*, *gold*, *wolframite (a tungsten ore)*, and *any other minerals determined by the Secretary of State to be financing conflict in the Democratic Republic of Congo and its adjoining countries ("DRC countries")*.

AIM has identified and verified its sources of minerals incorporated into its products to confirm that, to the best of its knowledge; they do not originate from DRC countries, and are therefore conflict free. AIM will continue to monitor and perform a reasonable due diligence within its supply chain to ensure that the minerals used in our products are not procured as "Conflict Minerals".

We anticipate this statement satisfies your concerns regarding our products and requirements for conflict minerals use. If not, please contact us and we will do our best to provide additional information.

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