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## **CONFLICT MINERAL POLICY AND COMMITMENT**

In July 2010, the United States government enacted the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. In response to violence and human rights violations in the mining of certain minerals from the “Conflict Region”, predominantly Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and surrounding countries, the U.S Securities and Exchange (SEC) has adopted rules to implement reporting and disclosure requirements related to “conflict minerals”. The rules require manufactures who file certain reports with the SEC to disclose whether the products they manufacture or contract to manufacture contain “conflict minerals” that are “necessary to the functionality or production” of these products.

The definition of “conflict minerals” refer to “3TG” (gold, tin, tantalum, and tungsten), the derivatives of cassiterite, columbite-tantalite, and wolframite, regardless of where they are sourced, processed or sold. The U.S Secretary of State may designate other minerals in the future. Important information on the use of conflict minerals in the technology supply chain is being compiled by the Electronic Components Industry Association and the Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition. This information may be viewed at [www.eciaonline.org](http://www.eciaonline.org).

As a contract manufacturer of printed circuit boards assemblies, Best Global Source (BGS) fully supports this legislation and is committed to responsible sourcing of 3TG. BGS does not directly purchase any conflict minerals from any source and endeavors not to purchase products that contain conflict minerals that directly or indirectly finance or benefit armed groups in the DRC or adjoining countries. We are committed in assisting our customers in complying with the Act by declaring any components, parts and products that contain 3TG along with country of and other origin information.

BGS expects all its suppliers to implement controls throughout the supply chain process to adhere to the sourcing commitment, so that all 3TG components, parts and products are “conflict free”. Distributors and suppliers who source and manufacture components, parts and products containing 3TG are expected to source those minerals from an ethical and social responsible source(s) that do not contribute to conflict. Suppliers are expected to, where possible, source 3TG from smelters and refiners that can validate as being conflict free and otherwise implement, and require their direct and indirect suppliers to adhere to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

BGS fully understands the importance of this issue to its customers and is committed to supply chain initiatives and overall corporate social responsibility and sustainability efforts that work towards a conflict free supply chain. Suppliers who do not comply with these expectations will be reviewed and evaluated accordingly for future business and sourcing decisions.

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