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DODD-FRANK ACT-SECTION 1502  
CONFLICTS MINERALS PROVISION  
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The Dodd-Frank Act Section 1502 concerning Conflict Minerals restricts the mining source of the following minerals:

Gold, Tin, Tantalum, Tungsten

These minerals cannot be mined from certain geographic regions of Political and/or Human Rights conflict. Currently the region involved is the DRC (Democratic Republic of the Congo). In August of 2012 the Securities and Exchange Commission voted and passed the final ruling of the Act. The Act states these restrictions apply only to those materials that contain these minerals in levels that are "necessary to the functionality or production" of the product. This means these minerals have to be intentional additions designed to affect a certain property in the material. We have reviewed our products, and found ZERO deliberate additions of one or more of these conflict minerals.

However, there may be un-intended small amounts of these minerals present as a result of the scrap used during production of the raw material (sheet, plate, angle, bar, etc). The Dodd-Frank Act Section 1502 states these are to be treated differently. If these minerals are only derived from "recycled materials" or outside scrap sources (and not from actual mined sources), these materials are then considered to be "DRC Conflict Free".

Therefore, the results of our "due diligence" to-date indicates that all of our metal grades are considered to be "DRC Conflict Free".

Sincerely,

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