
Responsible minerals sourcing policy


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VDL Assembly bv supports ending the violence and human rights violations in the mining of certain minerals from a location described as the "Conflict Region", which is situated in the eastern portion of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), surrounding countries adjoining and/or from Conflict Affected and High Risk Areas (CAHRAs).

As a result the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") adopted final rules to implement reporting and disclosure requirements related to "conflict minerals," as directed by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010.

The rules require manufacturers 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 those products. The "conflict minerals" policy consist of and is limited to:

- Investigation into the use and origin of 3TG metals (tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold);
- Requesting direct suppliers to be DRC and CAHRAs conflict free;
- Not knowingly using 3TG metals originating from mines directly or indirectly financing or benefiting armed groups in the DRC or an adjoining country or CAHRAs;



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