

Conflict Minerals information

On August 22, 2012 the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) approved a conflict minerals rule as mandated by Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. The new rule imposes reporting requirements on publicly traded companies. The goal is to promote transparency and consumer awareness regarding the use of “conflict minerals” (specifically tantalum, tin, tungsten and gold) in electronics industry products.

The new reporting requirements are based on concerns that revenues obtained from mining and transport of “conflict minerals” are financing the ongoing conflict in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and surrounding countries (DRC region) and the resulting humanitarian crisis there.

Although the new rule technically only applies to publicly traded companies required to report to the SEC, the requirements affect the entire electronics industry supply chain. Any company supplying products to an affected company will be asked for a conflict minerals declaration.

Information required includes the country of origin for any tantalum, tin, tungsten or gold in your products; and determining whether any conflict minerals sourced from the DRC region are “conflict free” (i.e. the mining or trading of these materials did not directly or indirectly finance armed groups operating in the DRC region).

Jonard Industries Declaration

The company supports the intent and rule of the Dodd-Frank Act, and as such does not import or use any conflict minerals in the manufacture of any of our products.