

## **Conflict Minerals Declaration**

**Subject:** Conflict Mineral Declaration for Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Section 1502

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act was signed into U.S. federal law on July 21, 2010 and finalized in 2012. Section 1502 of the Act defines the reporting obligations for companies that are publicly traded in the US and are governed by the Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC). Section 1502 requires companies that make products for which 3TG minerals [tantalum(Ta), tin(Sn), tungsten(W), and gold(Au)] are necessary to the functionality or production of that product to assess their supply chains and publically report on the source of these minerals if they are sourced from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) or adjoining country or if they are from recycled or scrap sources.

Although China Stainless Steel Screws, Inc. is not a publically traded company, and therefore not directly subject to this law, we are providing this declaration to our customers to help them comply with any obligations relative to this law. The <u>China Stainless Steel Screws</u>, Inc. Conflict Minerals <u>Program</u> is implemented with guidance obtained from the Final Rules of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

China Stainless Steel Screws, Inc. can complete a Reasonable Country of Origin Inquiry (RCOI), when requested, using the Conflict Minerals Reporting Template created by the Electronics Industry Citizens Coalition (EICC) and the Global e-Sustainability Initiative (GeSI). This template provides a common means for the collection of sourcing information on conflict minerals to determine if conflict minerals contained in its products originated in the DRC or adjoining country or come from recycler or scrap suppliers.

This inquiry is reasonably designed and conducted in good faith with an effort to obtain reliable representations indicating smelter or refiner facilities at which its conflict minerals were processed and that those conflict minerals did not did not originate in the DRC or adjoining country or come from recycler or scrap suppliers.

Based upon the RCOI conducted by China Stainless Steel Screws, Inc. to date, this document declares that all conflict minerals used in China Stainless Steel Screws, Inc. products do not originate in the DRC or an adjoining country or come from recycler or scrap suppliers. This document certifies that all China Stainless Steel Screws, Inc. products are declared "DRC conflict free".

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