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Statement Statex Produktions- und Vertriebs GmbH concerning the use of conflict minerals 18. January 2024

On August 22nd 2012, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission 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 (Dodd-Frank Act) of 2010.

Companies registered on the U.S. stock exchange are required to report annually whether the products they manufacture or contract to manufacture contain conflict minerals that are necessary to the functionality or production of those products.

The intent of these regulations is to curtail the trade with conflict minerals, which originate from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) or surrounding countries and finance or benefit the ongoing violent conflict in the DRC or an adjoining country.

Conflict minerals within the meaning of the Dodd-Frank Act (status as of 01.01.2013) are:

- columbite-tantalite (coltan)
- cassiterite (tin)
- wolframite (tungsten)
- gold
- and their derivates

We hereby declare that the company Statex Produktions- und Vertriebs GmbH does not import or use raw materials from conflict regions (Dodd-Frank Act, § 1502).

Thus, these raw materials neither are processed in our circuit boards, nor given to our customers.

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