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Dear Valued Customer:

TE takes very seriously the possibility that conflict minerals may find their way into our supply chain. "Conflict Minerals" or "Conflict Metals" are defined as gold (Au), tantalum (Ta), tungsten (W), and tin (Sn) sourced from mines in conflict areas controlled by armed groups, including, but not limited to, the Eastern region of Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). We understand that the minerals trade has a role in financing the ongoing conflict in the DRC, along with the associated atrocities and human rights abuses. Accordingly, we support Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to discourage companies from using Conflict Minerals.

Avoidance of sourcing from conflict mines is a very serious issue, but the pressure on smelters and suppliers to certify minerals as DRC conflict-free is creating a de facto embargo on all tin, tantalum, tungsten, and gold exported from the DRC and surrounding region. In order to avoid an adverse impact to African economies, we are encouraging the SEC to adopt transition rules that will allow for construction of the proper infrastructure within the DRC region to trace conflict minerals back to the mines. We are also asking U.S. government officials to help identify the conflict mines, which would then allow certain mines to be certified as conflict-free. We are also in active dialogue with our suppliers on what can reasonably be done to increase supply chain transparency despite these challenges. As information in the industry becomes more freely available and mine origin more discernible, we will expand our due diligence and tighten our compliance requirements accordingly.

As with all products we source, TE holds its suppliers to our company's high standards of integrity and responsibility. Once the mines associated with armed groups have been identified, suppliers can have a part in stopping the devastating humanitarian crisis by choosing to source from the conflict-free mines. For now, we ask that suppliers do all they can to identify the source of their gold, tantalum, tungsten, and tin and use all reasonable efforts to supply commodity metals to TE that are conflict-free. We also ask our suppliers to certify to such a designation if possible.

The responses provided to the questions in the template are done so in good faith. Although we strive to achieve a Conflict Free supply chain, it is currently virtually impossible for TE (or any other responsible component supplier) to determine with perfect certainty that all product components are 100% Conflict Free.

We look forward to working closely with you to find the best solution for uncovering information that will permit all companies to correctly discern whether or not their supply chains are truly Conflict Free. We appreciate the opportunity to work with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael K. Stockton', written over a white background.

Michael K. Stockton
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