Softing Conflict Minerals Policy



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To our customers

"Conflict minerals" as defined by the Dodd-Frank Act include gold, tantalum, tin and tungsten. These materials are often inevitably part of electronic components and products.

Softing is well aware of the implications surrounding the "conflict minerals" issue. We support the industry initiative for conflict-free supply with these materials for reasons of sustainability and global social responsibility. We adamantly support the prevention of gross violations of human rights and massive environmental destruction in the Democratic Republic of Congo and adjacent countries and regions.

However, as a service provider and contractual manufacturer within the electronic industry, we ourselves have little influence on the production of these materials and their use in electronic components. We therefore expect our suppliers and their sub-suppliers to process only materials that do not originate from the conflict regions mentioned above and we ask them to make information about the origin of their products publicly available on the ECIA (Electronic Components Industry Association) web site.

Our suppliers obtain most of their products from distributors and manufacturers that have published a statement about the origin of their products on the ECIA web site http://www.ecianow.org/industry-issues/conflict-materials/member-company-information/

Neither Softing itself nor its suppliers will intentionally or knowingly use any products that contain conflict minerals from these regions.

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