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Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act referring to "Conflict Minerals"

### **CONFLICT MINERALS COMPLIANCE**

This is to assure our customers that the products we provide do not contain any minerals from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), or any mined conflict associated areas.

The Securities and Exchange Commission adopted a rule mandated by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to require companies to publicly disclose their use of conflict minerals that originated in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) or an adjoining country.

The regulatory reform law directed the Commission to issue rules requiring certain companies to disclose their use of conflict minerals that include tantalum, tin, gold, or tungsten if those minerals are "necessary to the functionality or production of a product" manufactured by those companies. Companies are required to provide this disclosure on a new form to be filed with the SEC called Form SD.

Under the final rule, issuers are required to file for the same period — a calendar year — regardless of when their fiscal year ends. Companies will file their first specialized disclosure report on May 31, 2014 (for the 2013 calendar year) and annually on May 31 every year thereafter.

Our supplier acquires gold from the United States, Canada, Mexico and from several Central and South American countries. Their primary source of gold is recyclable material collected in the United States. They do not accept any form of gold from Africa and particularly from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and its adjoining countries which are the focus of the Dodd-Frank Act.

As this ongoing process is taking place, Brandex to the best of its knowledge will update when available all pertaining data from its suppliers.