

## **Declaration of conflict minerals compliance**

Dear customers,

we refer to your inquiry about conflict minerals.

Your question refers to an initiative of the American legislator (Dodd-Frank Act (Sec. 1502)), which is intended to make the black market in conflict minerals from the Democratic Republic of Congo and its neighbouring countries, so-called DRC states, more difficult.

Furthermore, we refer to the Regulation (EU) 2017/821 of 17.05.2017, which defines the obligations of EU importers to exercise due diligence in the supply chain of certain minerals and metals (tin, tantalum, tungsten, their ores and gold) from conflict and high risk areas.

With this letter we would like to inform you as a customer of Hutchinson Stop-Choc GmbH & Co. KG that we exclusively use parts and components of well-known manufacturers and long-standing, trustworthy suppliers in our products.

However, as a manufacturing company / service provider, we have no influence on the origin of minerals used by our suppliers for parts and components. Therefore we cannot take over any quarantee in this case.

We oblige our suppliers to enclose relevant information with each delivery and according to our current state of knowledge that no conflict minerals are used.

Please understand that we are unable to fill out individual questionnaires due to the high number of enquiries.

Our purchasing department will be pleased to answer any questions you may have.

Hutchinson Stop-Choc GmbH & Co. KG

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