

Conflict minerals / Section 1502 Dodd-Frank-Act-US Declaration 3TG-Material Conflict free status

Since 22 August 2012, the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has implemented the Dodd-Frank Act of 2010. This (Section 1502) now obliges companies to refrain from using and trading in raw materials from conflict regions (Democratic Republic of the Congo and neighbouring countries). The 3TG materials (tin, tantalum, tungsten, gold) tin, tantalum, tungsten, gold and their derivatives are affected. This law requires US listed companies to inform the SEC annually about the possible use of 3TG materials.

Trenz Electronic GmbH is a medium-sized company and not subject to SEC oversight, and therefore has no legal obligation to comply with the requirements of Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act. However, we are well aware that as a direct or indirect supplier of such companies, we must of course make our contribution to due diligence. This is also required by our principles of conduct regarding human rights, environment and health.

Trenz Electronic GmbH will not knowingly use any 3TG materials from non-certified smelters from the conflict region in its products. As a manufacturer of clamping technology products, we do not directly import any of these materials and therefore have no direct influence on the origin of materials used by our suppliers.

We require our suppliers to obtain a possible 3TG material share in the products delivered to us exclusively from conflict-free regions, certified mines/smelters or recycling.

According to the current state of knowledge, achieved through material analysis and obtaining corresponding confirmations from our suppliers, we can assume that our products do not contain any 3TG material or that the raw materials do not originate from the crisis region mentioned.

We will increase transparency and traceability by further questioning our suppliers, especially in the complicated environment of electronic components.

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Trenz Electronic GmbH