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Declaration on Dealing with Conflict Minerals

The handling of conflict minerals is an essential part of the code of conduct from Krekeler & Losch. In order to ensure that the use and sale of Conflict Minerals by suppliers is not contributing to conflicts in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (hereinafter "DRC") and its neighboring countries, Krekeler&Losch applies fundamental requirements to suppliers for direct (in-product) Materials with regard to their responsibility for a conflict-free procurement of these goods.

For the purpose of this explanation, the following terms have the meanings set out below:

- Conflict Minerals are columbite-tantalite (coltan), cassiterite, gold, wolframite and their derivatives, restricted to tantalum, tin and tungsten. Unless the foreign minister of the United States determines that additional derivatives or additional minerals and their derivatives finance the conflict in the "Covered Countries," these also apply as Conflict Minerals.
- "Covered Countries" are the DRC as well as the countries that share an internationally recognized border with the DRC. These are currently Angola, Burundi, the Central African Republic, the Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Southern Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia.
- "DRC Conflict Free" means that these goods do not contain Conflict Minerals that directly or indirectly finance or support armed groups in the "Covered Countries".
- The "Final Rule" is the implementation regulation that the US Securities and Exchange Commission on August 22, 2012 have adopted pursuant to Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act regarding the use of Conflict Minerals.

Herewith declares Krekeler & Losch GmbH & Co KG

- to ensure that the use and sale of Conflict Minerals through them (whether alone or in goods) does not contribute to ongoing conflicts in the Covered Countries.
- they do not deliver goods which are not DRC Conflict Free.
- to provide, upon request, all relevant data on the occurrence of Conflict Minerals in its goods.
- continuously and in sufficient measure to verify that its goods are DRC Conflict Free.
- to prove at least once per calendar year and additionally within three (3) weeks, on written demand, to assure in writing that the goods are DRC Conflict Free.

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- promptly notify the customer in writing if there are signs in the supply chain that allow the conclusion that the assurance provided for in the preceding paragraph may not be complied with.
- provide, upon request, certificates, declarations and other information that adequately support the assurance that its goods are DRC Conflict Free.
- to make every effort to ensure the compliance with this declaration by its suppliers.

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