

Conflict Minerals Declaration

Merkson Sp. z o.o. join many others who are deeply concerned regarding the human tragedies occurring in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and adjoining countries ("Covered Countries") associated, in part, with the mining of columbite-tantalite (tantalum), cassiterite (tin), wolframite (tungsten) and gold ("Conflict Minerals" or "3T&G")¹.

These minerals originate from various continents, but armed groups engaged in, or interfering with, mining operations within the Covered Countries are believed to subject workers and indigenous people to serious human rights abuses and are using proceeds from the sale of these Conflict Minerals to finance and sustain regional conflicts. Merkson Sp. z o.o. supports responsible minerals sourcing within the Covered Countries to encourage viable and ethical revenue streams for the local communities. We recognize and support the need to develop programs which allow for improved transparency in 3T&G mining and transport of Conflict Minerals and improved traceability within the 3T&G supply chain.

We herewith inform that based upon our suppliers' declarations , products manufactured by Merkson Sp. z o.o. do not contain any minerals originating from high risk or from the conflict zones of the Democratic Republic of Congo and bordering countries.

It is therefore possible to declare that our products are DRC conflict-free.

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¹ Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, Section 1502.