

To our valued customers, 10/17/2023

Ref. Conflict Minerals Statement

On August 22, 2012, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), as directed by Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, finalized requirements for issuers of public securities to disclose their use of conflict minerals originating in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) or adjoining countries. The rule applies to products containing any of the four conflict minerals (Tin, Tantalum, Tungsten and Gold) if the minerals are necessary to the functionality or production of the products manufactured.

Gillaspie Manufacturing Inc. (GMI) is a privately held corporation and thereby not required to file reports with the SEC under Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act. GMI is thereby exempt from the requirements of Section 1502 of Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Consumer Protection Act of 2010 in regard to the use of conflict minerals.

Even though GMI is exempt from this requirement and does not manufacture any Raw Material, we do add value through punching, cutting, forming, machining, deburring and hardware insertion. Also, we use finishing suppliers for heat treat, plating, painting, powder-coating, silkscreen, pad printing and bead blasting. These custom parts are sold to some of our customers that are bound by the SEC requirements in regard to conflict minerals. In an effort to voluntarily provide compliance support to our customers, we have applied due diligence and conducted a reasonable inquiry by contacting our suppliers to determine whether their processes contain any conflict minerals from DRC. At this time, we are not aware of the inclusion of any covered conflict minerals in our custom parts, except that trace amounts might exist due to the small percentage of scrap metal that is used in the processing of raw materials at the steel mills. The determination of the source of the origin of scrap material is impracticable and are to be considered conflict free.

To the best of our knowledge, our value-added production processes and materials are conflict free. Additionally, we have added a statement on both our purchase orders MUST not contain any conflict minerals from DRC. <u>Note</u>: that prototypes may NOT be Conflict Mineral Free, due to using older non-production materials. Occasionally, some material/coating processes may NOT be Conflict Mineral Free.

The information provided may not be based upon actual test data, but information obtained from raw material, or post process suppliers. We assume no liability in any form for damages, or any legal costs, caused by raw materials supplied, or finish processes/coatings applied.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

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