

# Attention:Quality Assurance Manager or Designated RepresentativeSubject:Conflict Minerals Inquiry to Q-Tech Corporation Suppliers

Many of our Customers are required to adhere to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, notably Section 1502(e), whereby they are required to report their usage of Conflict Minerals originating in the Democratic Republic of Congo or adjoining countries to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Conflict Minerals are defined as tin, tantalum, tungsten, and gold (often referred to as "3TG"). Like our Customers, Q-Tech supports taking responsible steps to ensure that the products received from our supply chain are responsibly sourced. While Q-Tech is not required to report on Conflict Minerals with the SEC, as a key supplier to these Customers, we do have reporting obligations to them with respect to the products we supply. We are required to complete similar inquiries and chain of custody due diligence in order for our Customers to complete their SEC Conflict Minerals reporting obligations. Therefore, if you are sent this inquiry, we ask that you please respond in a detailed and timely manner. If you fail to respond, Q-Tech may be forced to remove you from its Approved Suppliers List.

In service to our Customers, Q-Tech must inquire of our suppliers whether any of these minerals contained in materials purchased by Q-Tech have been sourced from the Democratic Republic of the Congo and/or any adjoining countries. Please send us your most current EICC/GeSI Conflict Minerals Reporting Template. If you do not maintain this template, please complete the attached Supplier Questionnaire on Conflict Minerals. If you are able to confirm that the materials supplied to Q-Tech do not contain Conflict Minerals, including trace amounts, from any of these countries, please also sign and return the attached Supplier Certification Letter.

Please send responses, questions, and requests for additional information by telephone or email to myself at 310.836.7900 extension 113 or Daniel.Moline@Q-Tech.com.

Your support and cooperation is essential to our ability to assist our Customers in their efforts to comply with this regulation. We appreciate your help in this matter.

Very Respectfully,

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Daniel Moline Director of Quality Assurance Q-Tech Corporation Daniel.Moline@Q-Tech.com 310.836.7900 extension 113

## SUPPLIER CONFLICT MINERALS INQUIRY

Please answer the following questions to the best of your knowledge. If you are unable to produce an answer or are unsure of the answer provided, please indicate so.

In accordance with the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, the following minerals are Conflict Minerals when sourced from the Democratic Republic of Congo and/or adjoining countries.

- *Tantalum* (or Columbite-Tantalite, also known as Coltan, the metal ore from which tantalum is extracted)
- *Tin* (or Cassiterite, the metal ore from which tin is extracted)
- *Tungsten* (or Wolframite, the metal ore from which tungsten is extracted)
- Gold
- Their derivatives and any other mineral or its derivatives determined by the Secretary of State to be financing conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or any adjoining countries.

For purposes of this questionnaire, the minerals listed above will be referred to as "3TG" minerals (tantalum, tin, tungsten, and gold), unless it is determined that they are sourced from the Democratic Republic of Congo and/or adjoining countries, at which time they will be referred to as Conflict Minerals.

#### 1. (A) Do the products that you supply to Q-Tech contain any "3TG" minerals?

A product contains "3TG" minerals even if trace amounts of the minerals are present in the final product supplied to Q-Tech. A product does not contain "3TG" minerals if the minerals are used as only a tool or catalyst in production and no trace amount of the mineral remains in the final product. Choose applicable answer. If YES, proceed to Question 1(B) and Question 2. If NO, your response is complete; please complete the attached Supplier Certification Letter.

YES NO

#### (B) List the "3TG" minerals present in the products supplied to Q-Tech and proceed to Question 2.

#### 2. Are the "3TG" minerals utilized in your products sourced entirely from recycled or scrap metal?

"3TG" minerals produced from recycled or scrap metal are not Conflict Minerals. "3TG" minerals are considered to be produced from recycled or scrap sources if they are sourced from recycled metals, which are reclaimed end-user or post-consumer products, or scrap processed metals created during product manufacturing. Recycled metal includes excess, obsolete, defective, and scrap metal materials that contain refined or processed metals that are appropriate to recycle in the production of tantalum, tin, tungsten, and/or gold. Minerals that are partially processed from, unprocessed, or byproducts of another ore are not considered recycled metal. Choose applicable answer. If NO, proceed to Question 3. If YES, your response is complete; please complete the attached Supplier Certification Letter.

YES NO

#### 3. (A) Are the "3TG" minerals utilized in your products sourced from any of the following countries?

The Democratic Republic of the Congo, Angola, Burundi, Central African Republic, The Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, and/or Zambia. If YES, list the Conflict Mineral and the corresponding country from the list provided from which it is sourced in Question 3(B). If NO, proceed to Questions 4, 5, and 6, and complete the attached Supplier Certification Letter.

YES NO

#### (B) From which countries are the Conflict Minerals utilized in your products sourced?

Please list the Conflict Mineral and the corresponding country from which it is sourced.

- **4.** From which countries are the "3TG" minerals utilized in your products sourced? Please list the "3TG" mineral and the corresponding country from which it is sourced.
- 5. What steps, if any, do you take to ensure the "3TG" minerals you use in the products you supply to Q-Tech are sourced from countries other than the countries listed in 3(A)? How do you document this process? How often is such verification conducted? Can you provide documentation of said verification?
- 6. Please identify the smelters and refineries used by you, and the countries in which they are located.

### SUPPLIER CERTIFICATION LETTER

Daniel Moline Director of Quality Assurance Q-Tech Corporation 10150 West Jefferson Boulevard Culver City, CA 90232

DATE

Mr. Daniel Moline:

This letter is to certify that , to the best of its knowledge, does not supply any products to Q-Tech Corporation that contain any Conflict Minerals originating in the Democratic Republic of Congo or adjoining countries, as defined in Section 1502(e) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

Sincerely,

SIGNATURE OF CERTIFYING OFFICIAL

NAME OF CERTIFYING OFFICIAL

TITLE OF CERTIFYING OFFICIAL

SUPPLIER COMPLANY NAME

Additional Comments, if Necessary