

# Conflict Minerals Statement



**ECKERLE**  
MECHATRONIC COMPONENTS  
FOR MOBILITY AND COMFORT

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

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under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act issued by the SEC (United States Securities and Exchange Commission), according to which all companies listed on US stock exchanges determine the origin of conflict minerals, including tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold, **ECKERLE Automotive GmbH** is obliged to behave ethically and to comply with all applicable legal provisions and regulations. Although we do not source these metals directly, they may still be present in the materials and components we source.

**ECKERLE Automotive GmbH** will assist our customers in implementing their conflict minerals programs. We strive to work cooperatively with our customers and supply chain partners in implementing conflict minerals compliance programs.

In order to comply with the SEC reporting obligations for conflict materials, **ECKERLE Automotive GmbH** requests its supply chain to submit a certificate of conformity, according to which minerals are only procured from smelters and refiners who previously used the Responsible Minerals Assurance Process (RMAP) of the Responsible Mineral Initiative (RMI) CFSI (Conflict-Free Sourcing Initiative) called, demonstrably adhere to. As soon as smelter lists are available, suppliers are requested to procure materials exclusively from tested and certified smelters.


Conflict minerals are difficult to track along the supply chain. This is why **ECKERLE Automotive GmbH** works in accordance with the Responsible Minerals Initiative and is dependent on help in complying with the SEC reporting obligations on conflict minerals. Furthermore, **ECKERLE Automotive GmbH** rejects the use of smelters or refiners from conflict-affected and endangered areas (CAHRAs for short from the English "conflict affected and high-risk areas") in accordance with the definition of the RMI and the reports submitted by relevant suppliers in our supply chain.


**ECKERLE Automotive GmbH** makes every possible effort to procure conflict minerals from responsible sources in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the CAHRAs. To this end, we have developed programs and practices to retain necessary and appropriate evidence from suppliers.

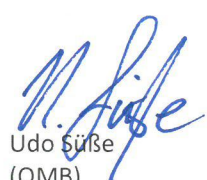
This declaration is checked regularly and updated if necessary. Concerns about this declaration and violations of this declaration can be reported to the management of **ECKERLE Automotive GmbH** via our official complaint channel: [compliance@de.eckerle-gruppe.com](mailto:compliance@de.eckerle-gruppe.com)

Kind regards

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