

# **Attwater Conflict Minerals Statement**

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## **Conflict Minerals Background**

Conflict minerals are minerals mined in conditions of armed conflict and human rights abuses, and which are sold or traded by armed groups.

The Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) is a key source of certain minerals, including tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold. These minerals are often referred to as 3TG in relation to conflict minerals (3 Ts and G, for the initials of each mineral). Percentages of these minerals come from conflict-affected areas of the eastern DRC.

The UK Government strongly encourages companies trading in natural resources from the DRC to do so in a way which is socially, economically and environmentally responsible.

Any company reporting to the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) is required by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, the "Dodd-Frank Act", to publicly disclose their use of conflict minerals.

## **Attwater's Conflict Minerals Statement**

As an extension of our ethical operating policy, our Corporate & Social Responsibility (CSR) policy, and our environmental policy, the Attwater Group of companies are committed to operating in a way that does not support: infringements on human rights, civil unrest through conflict or otherwise, and any other business activity that is unethical.

Our standard manufactured products (laminates, tubes and machined components thereof) fall in the category of electrical insulation materials and so by their very nature do not contain any metallic substances as these would negatively impact on their properties.

I therefore confirm that we do not use materials containing minerals sourced from the DRC or surrounding countries in the manufacture of our laminates and tubes.

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Technical Director

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