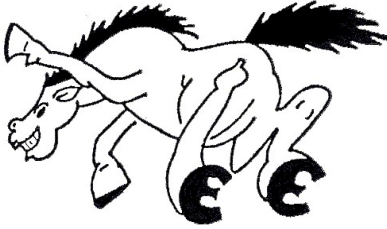


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Conflict Minerals Policy Statement

Elpakco is committed to sourcing materials from companies that share our values of human rights, ethics and environmental responsibility. We require our suppliers to comply with applicable legal standards and requirements.

On August 22, 2012, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) issued the final conflict minerals rule under Section 1502 the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the “Conflict Minerals Rule”). The Conflict Minerals Rule requires publicly traded companies to report annually the presence of conflict minerals (tin, tungsten, tantalum and gold, or “3TG”) originating in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or adjoining countries (“Covered Countries”).

Elpakco supports the goal of ending violence, human rights violations and environmental devastation in the Covered Countries. We are committed to complying with any requirements applicable to our Company under the Conflict Minerals Rule.

Elpakco will assist it’s customers in implementing their conflict minerals programs by supplying our conflict minerals declaration using the Conflict Minerals Reporting Template.

Elpakco requires it’s applicable suppliers to provide completed conflict minerals declarations preferably using the Conflict Minerals Reporting Template.