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Company Information

Company Name (*):	SOUTHERN STATES, LLC.
Declaration Scope or Class (*):	A. COMPANY
Description of Scope:	"COMPANY WIDE" - The declaration encompasses the entirety of the company's products or product substances produced by the parent company.
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Company Unique ID Authority:	DUNS
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Effective Date (*):	6-Jun-2023

Answer the following questions 1 - 8 based on the declaration scope indicated above

1) Is any 3TG intentionally added or used in the product(s) or in the production process? (*)	Answer	Comments
Tantalum (*)	YES	
Tin (*)	YES	
Gold	NO	
Tungsten (*)	YES	

2) Does any 3TG remain in the product(s)? (*)	Answer	Comments
Tantalum (*)	YES	
Tin (*)	YES	
Gold		
Tungsten (*)	YES	

3) Do any of the smelters in your supply chain source the 3TG from the covered countries? (SEC term, see definitions tab) (*)	Answer	Comments
Tantalum (*)	UNKNOWN	90% OF THE SUPPLIERS HAVE RESPONDED
Tin (*)	UNKNOWN	90% OF THE SUPPLIERS HAVE RESPONDED
Gold		
Tungsten (*)	UNKNOWN	90% OF THE SUPPLIERS HAVE RESPONDED

4) Do any of the smelters in your supply chain source the 3TG from conflict-affected and high-risk areas? (*)	Answer	Comments
Tantalum (*)	UNKNOWN	
Tin (*)	UNKNOWN	
Gold		
Tungsten (*)	UNKNOWN	

5) Does 100 percent of the 3TG (necessary to the functionality or production of your products) originate from recycled or scrap sources? (*)	Answer	Comments
Tantalum (*)	UNKNOWN	
Tin (*)	UNKNOWN	
Gold		
Tungsten (*)	UNKNOWN	

6) What percentage of relevant suppliers have provided a response to your supply chain survey? (*)	Answer	Comments
Tantalum (*)	Greater than 90%	
Tin (*)	Greater than 90%	
Gold		
Tungsten (*)	Greater than 90%	

7) Have you identified all of the smelters supplying the 3TG to your supply chain? (*)	Answer	Comments
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Tantalum (*)	NO	
Tin (*)	NO	
Gold		
Tungsten (*)	NO	



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8) Has all applicable smelter information received by your company been reported in this declaration? (*)

	Answer	Comments
Tantalum (*)	YES	
Tin (*)	YES	
Gold		
Tungsten (*)	YES	

Answer the Following Questions at a Company Level

Question	Answer	Comments
A. Have you established a responsible minerals sourcing policy? (*)	YES	
B. Is your responsible minerals sourcing policy publicly available on your website? (Note - If yes, the user shall specify the URL in the comment field.) (*)	YES	WWW.SOUTHERNSTATESLTC.COM
C. Do you require your direct suppliers to source the 3TG from smelters whose due diligence practices have been validated by an independent third party audit program? (*)	NO	
D. Have you implemented due diligence measures for responsible sourcing? (*)	YES	
E. Does your company conduct Conflict Minerals survey(s) of your relevant supplier(s)? (*)	Yes, in conformance with IPC1755 (e.g., C	
F. Do you review due diligence information received from your suppliers against your company's expectations? (*)	YES	
G. Does your review process include corrective action management? (*)	YES	
H. Is your company required to file an annual conflict minerals disclosure? (*)	NO	