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Conflict Minerals Reporting Template (CMRT)

English

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The purpose of this document is to collect sourcing information on tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold used in products

Mandatory fields are noted with an asterisk (\*). Consult the instructions tab for guidance on how to answer each question.  
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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Effective Date (*):	21-Oct-2024		

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) (*)			
	Tantalum (*)	Unknown	75% OF THE SUPPLIERS HAVE RESPONDED
	Tin (*)	Unknown	75% OF THE SUPPLIERS HAVE RESPONDED
	Gold		
	Tungsten (*)	Unknown	75% 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? (*)			
	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? (*)			
	Tantalum (*)	Unknown	
	Tin (*)	Unknown	
	Gold		
	Tungsten (*)	Unknown	
6) What percentage of relevant suppliers have provided a response to your supply chain survey? (*)			
	Tantalum (*)	Greater than 75%	
	Tin (*)	Greater than 75%	
	Gold		
	Tungsten (*)	Greater than 75%	
7) Have you identified all of the smelters supplying the 3TG to your supply chain? (*)			
	Tantalum (*)	No	
	Tin (*)	No	
	Gold		
	Tungsten (*)	No	
8) Has all applicable smelter information received by your company been reported in this declaration? (*)			
	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	<a href="http://WWW.SOUTHERNSTATESLLC.COM">WWW.SOUTHERNSTATESLLC.COM</a>
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., CMR)	
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	
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