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The the companies of the **BURGER GROUP** are joined together to act as a system partner, suppliying internationally innovative products for customer-specific drive technology.

In keeping with each company's values and mission statement, we place great importance on social and ecological responsibility, for example human rights protection, the battle against corruption and environmental protection. In order to promote sustainability within our supply chain, we carefully select our suppliers and partners in accordance with legal, as well as internal company requirements.

## **CONFLICT MINERALS**

In 2010, the Congress of the United States of America adopted the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act). Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act, as well as the regulatory statutes of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), require companies that are subject to SEC supervision to submit reports indicating whether or not products which they themselves produce, or for whose production they place orders with other companies, contain "conflict minerals" which are "necessary for correct functioning or production".

Neither the **BURGER GROUP** nor any of its member companies are subject to SEC supervision, and thus are not legally obligated to fulfil requirements concerning conflict minerals as stipulated in section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act. At the same time, we recognise the fact that the respective SEC statutes for section 1502 demand that our direct and indirect customers exercise due diligence within their worldwide supply chains. We will provide you with appropriate support in fulfilling your reporting responsibilities.

## STATEMENT

The **BURGER GROUP** strives to avoid purchasing any materials which contain "conflict minerals". We implement appropriate processes for the fulfilment of our duty to exercise due diligence and act accordingly to the best of our knowledge and belief. Our activities are based on established work aides and the recommendations of special purpose associations and industry initiatives. Due to the large number of products we offer, this is a challenging, ongoing process. We contact our direct suppliers in order to increase transparence regarding the products they supply to us. We will continue our close collaboration with customers, suppliers and other stakeholders with regard to suitable approaches and practical solutions, and thus place emphasis on our contribution to sustainability

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