

Use of Cobalt, Mica, Copper, Lithium, Nickel, and Natural Graphite (EMRT – Extended Minerals Reporting Template)

Prior to the adoption of the “Dodd-Frank Act” by the U.S. Congress in 2010, cobalt had also been under consideration for inclusion as a so-called “conflict mineral.” However, this was ultimately not the case. Similarly, cobalt was not included in Regulation (EU) 2017/821. Nevertheless, the mining of cobalt often takes place under problematic conditions. Unfortunately, the same applies to natural mica.

Although RTS electronic GmbH is not subject to the reporting requirements of the Dodd-Frank Act, we are fully aware of the importance and significance of this regulation. We take our social responsibility with regard to the environment, safety, health, and human rights seriously and recognize that our business conduct has an impact on society and the environment.

However, we cannot exclude the possibility that cobalt or mica may be present in the components or parts we supply, as these substances are difficult to trace.

The EMRT was originally developed for cobalt and mica, with later versions extended to include copper, lithium, nickel, and natural graphite.

As a service provider for electronic components, we are many steps removed from the mining of raw materials. Within our possibilities, we work closely with our suppliers and manufacturers to establish the necessary transparency and make every effort to distribute products that – in the sense of REACH – do not contain or make use of these raw materials.

Please understand that, due to the increasing number of inquiries, we are unable to complete individual questionnaires.

We nevertheless hope that this letter contains the information you requested.

Thank you for your trust and continued cooperation.

RTS electronic GmbH

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