



CDW Conflict Minerals Statement

In August 2012, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) adopted final rules implementing Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the “Conflict Minerals Rule”). Under the Conflict Minerals Rule, publicly traded companies that manufacture or contract to manufacture products that contain “conflict minerals” must annually report to the SEC information regarding whether such products contain conflict minerals originating from the Democratic Republic of the Congo or adjoining countries. Revenue from the mining and transport of these conflict minerals is believed to be financing or benefiting groups that are responsible for human rights violations. “Conflict minerals” refers to columbite-tantalite (coltan), cassiterite, gold, wolframite and the derivatives tantalum, tin and tungsten, without regard to the location or origin of the minerals or derivative metals.

CDW is a value-added reseller and a provider of integrated IT solutions with a portfolio of over 100,000 products and services from over 1,000 brands. As a distributor of commercially-available hardware and software products manufactured by other companies, CDW does not directly purchase/ore/source conflict minerals (as defined above) for creation, assembly, or manufacturing of electronics or electronic components. Additionally, we have no control over the manufacture or design of these products. We therefore are not subject to the SEC’s conflict minerals reporting requirements.

CDW, however, is committed to ethical business conduct and respect for human rights. With regards to conflict minerals, we take steps to:

1. Validate that our top partners maintain appropriate conflict minerals policies and have undertaken reasonable due diligence with respect to their supply chains.
2. Support customers requesting more information on conflicts minerals with a CDW conflict minerals report (validating that we do not ore/source conflict minerals as defined above) and obtaining partner reports on their behalf.

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