

## **CORNING INCORPORATED – CONFLICT MINERALS POLICY**

### **Background on the Conflict Minerals Law**

The Dodd–Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Pub.L. 111-203, H.R. 4173) was signed into U.S. federal law on July 21, 2010. Section 1502 lays out reporting obligations for companies that are publicly traded in the US and thus governed by the Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC). Section 1502 requires companies that make products for which 3TG metals (tantalum, tin, tungsten & gold) are necessary to the functionality or production of that product to assess their supply chains and publically report on the source of these materials if they are sourced from regions of conflict in and around the Democratic Republic of Congo. Corning Incorporated (“Corning”) is a publically-traded company, and therefore is committed to complying with this law.

Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform & Consumer Protection Act:

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/PLAW-111publ203/html/PLAW-111publ203.htm>

In order to facilitate the declaration of Corning’s reasonable country of origin inquiries with our suppliers, we have decided to use the reporting template created by the Electronics Industry Citizens Coalition® (EICC) and the Global e-Sustainability Initiative (GeSI). This template provides a common means for the collection of sourcing information on conflict minerals. A copy of the template and further information on this program can be found at the following link:

<http://www.conflictreesmelter.org/ConflictMineralsReportingTemplateDashboard.htm>

### **Corning Incorporated’s Corporate Position on Conflict Minerals**

At Corning, corporate social responsibility is a proactive commitment to preserving the trust of our stakeholders. The commitment contributes to sustainable economic and environmental development through all our business activities – how we operate, what we sell, how we give, and how we support our people, the communities in which we operate, and society at large.

Corporate social responsibility is intrinsic to Corning’s heritage and it is integral to how we build value and trust in our company. It is also a demonstration of how we live our [Values](#) which represent the unchanging moral and ethical compass that guides everything we do.

Consistent with Corning’s commitment to corporate social responsibility, and in order to meet the requirements of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Act, section 1502, Corning commits to conducting a “reasonable country of origin inquiry” with all our suppliers of 3TG containing component, supplies or raw materials. If Corning becomes aware of a supplier whose supply chain includes a 3TG metal from a conflict source, Corning will take reasonable steps to address the situation, including the potential reassessment of supplier relationships, depending on factors such as the criticality of the specific part and the availability of alternative suppliers.

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Corning expects our suppliers will comply with our requests to provide statements and perform due diligence about the source of any conflict minerals in their products which are provided to us in order to ensure alignment throughout the supply chain.

For more information, please see [http://www.corning.com/about\\_us/contactus.aspx](http://www.corning.com/about_us/contactus.aspx) for information on how to contact Corning.

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