

NEWPORT CORPORATION

POLICY REGARDING CONFLICT MINERALS

Newport Corporation (“Newport”) is committed to obtaining parts and supplies from businesses that share our values regarding human rights and ethical practices. To that end, Newport adheres to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) final conflict minerals rules promulgated under Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (“Conflict Minerals Rules”). To comply with such rules, Newport has implemented due diligence measures following the framework set by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (“OECD”) in its Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas and related supplements.

Under the Conflict Minerals Rules, publicly-traded companies must report to the SEC the presence of conflict minerals in those products that they manufacture or contract to manufacture when conflict minerals are necessary to the production or functionality of such products and those conflict minerals originate in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or adjoining countries (“Conflict Area”).

The Conflict Minerals Rules define “Conflict Minerals” as columbite-tantalite (coltan), cassiterite, gold, wolframite, or their derivatives, which are limited at this time to tantalum, tin, and tungsten. Although Newport does not source any Conflict Minerals directly, Newport has adopted the following policies:

- Newport will work toward processes to help ensure that Newport does not knowingly procure or use Conflict Minerals the extraction or sale of which finances or benefits armed groups in the Conflict Area;
- Newport will work toward processes to help ensure that Newport only procures and uses Conflict Minerals that originate from outside the Conflict Area or from mines and smelters within the Conflict Area that have been certified by an independent third party as “conflict free”;
- Newport expects its suppliers to undertake documented due diligence, and to develop policies, to ensure that Conflict Minerals are being sourced only from outside the Conflict Area or from mines and smelters which have been certified by an independent third party as “conflict free”, and reserves the right to verify the compliance of Newport’s suppliers with this expectation; and
- If Newport discovers the use of Conflict Minerals considered to be “not conflict free”, in any material, parts or components that Newport procures or produces, Newport expects its suppliers to work toward processes, and to take appropriate actions, to transition such material, parts or components to “conflict free” status. Newport reserves the right to terminate Newport’s relationship with suppliers that do not meet this expectation.

For more information regarding Newport’s conflict minerals program, please e-mail conflictminerals@newport.com.