PPG INDUSTRIES, INC. CONFLICT MINERALS POLICY

On August 22, 2012, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) adopted final rules to implement reporting and disclosure requirements concerning Conflict Minerals, as directed by Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010. Under the SEC rules, publicly traded companies must report annually on their use of Conflict Minerals. “Conflict Minerals” currently include cassiterite, columbite/tantalite, and wolframite (the most common derivatives of which are tin, tantalum and tungsten, respectively) and gold. These Conflict Minerals are of concern because mines in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and surrounding countries are important sources of these minerals. Some of these mines are controlled by armed groups that finance their conflicts through mining activities. The Conflict Minerals reporting and disclosure requirements were enacted to further the humanitarian goal of ending violent conflict and human rights abuses in the DRC and surrounding countries, which have been partially financed by the exploitation and trade of Conflict Minerals.

PPG is committed to ethical business conduct and responsible sourcing. We are working diligently with our global supply chain partners to ensure compliance with the SEC’s Conflict Minerals rules. However, the international supply chain for these minerals is complex, and the tracing of them is challenging. Many of the Conflict Mineral containing raw materials used by PPG passed through a variety of intermediaries before reaching PPG. PPG does not purchase directly from smelters. Therefore, PPG must rely upon our suppliers to identify the sources of Conflict Minerals and to declare the Conflict Mineral status of their products.

Consistent with PPG’s commitment to social responsibility and sustainability:

- PPG expects each of our suppliers to conduct due diligence on its supply chain in accordance with the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas and to determine the source of any Conflict Minerals or Conflict Mineral containing product supplied to PPG.
- PPG expects all of our suppliers to provide the Conflict Minerals source information reasonably requested by PPG necessary to support our due diligence and reporting obligations under the SEC’s Conflict Minerals rules.
- PPG expects our suppliers to notify us if a product supplied to PPG contains Conflict Minerals originating in the DRC or surrounding countries.
- Suppliers who are not able to provide adequate information about the source of any Conflict Minerals in the products supplied to PPG or that supply products containing Conflict Minerals from the DRC or surrounding countries shall be evaluated by PPG’s Global Purchasing and Logistics Department and may be denied future PPG business.