1) **What are “conflict minerals” and what is the conflict minerals rule?**

“Conflict minerals” are defined under US law as gold, as well as tin, tantalum and tungsten, which are the derivatives of cassiterite, columbite-tantalite and wolframite, respectively. These substances are often referred to as a group as “3TG.”

On August 22, 2012, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) adopted a final rule to implement reporting and disclosure related to conflict minerals, as directed by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010. The rule requires SEC filers that manufacture products for sale to disclose whether the products they manufacture or contract to manufacture contain conflict minerals that are “necessary to the functionality or production” of those products.


2) **What is the purpose of the conflict minerals rule?**

Congress is concerned that armed conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and in adjoining countries, which include Angola, Burundi, Central African Republic, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia (collectively referred to as the Covered Countries), has been financed in part by the trade of conflict minerals. In Congress’ view, the disclosures required by the rule will raise attention for this issue and help to reduce the funding of armed conflict in the region.

3) **Does MPM have a company policy regarding conflict minerals?**


4) **I have a completed EICC GeSI template from my company. Where can I submit it?**

Please send the completed EICC GeSI template to cfspteam@momentive.com.
5) If I am sourcing the relevant conflict minerals purely from recycled or scrap materials (i.e., I will be answering “Yes” to question three for the relevant metals on the EICC GeSI template), is it necessary for me to provide additional documentation to support this?

MPM does require suppliers that state they are sourcing the relevant conflict minerals purely from recycled or scrap material to provide additional documentation to support this claim. Additional documentation can be in the form of letters from suppliers or the source of the recycled or scrap material. It is not necessary to provide smelter information if you are sourcing conflict minerals purely from recycled or scrap material.

6) Do I need to provide you smelter or mine names for where the conflict minerals are sourced from?

If the facilities used to produce the conflict minerals, the country of origin of the minerals are known to you; then, yes we request that you provide us these names. If you are unable to determine the facilities used to process the conflict minerals, the country of origin of the conflict minerals, or mine; then we request that you explain to us the process that you are going through to obtain this information.

7) I have identified the smelters that my company is sourcing conflict minerals from, but I do not know if the smelters are on the Conflict-Free Smelter (CFS) list. Where can I find the CFS list?

The CFS list is available at http://www.conflictfreesmelter.org

8) Instead of providing MPM with a completed EICC GeSI template, will it be sufficient if I respond with only one or more of the following types of documentation:
   • Company’s supplier code of conduct
   • Company policy or statement on conflict minerals
   • Letter from smelters

It is not sufficient for you to provide MPM with only one or more of the types of documentation specified above. Please complete the EICC GeSI template as requested by MPM.

9) Along with the completed EICC GeSI template, can I provide MPM with additional supporting documentation?

Additional supporting documentation (including the types of documentation specified in question eight above) can be provided to MPM along with a completed EICC GeSI template.
10) Can I provide MPM with an EICC GeSI template (along with any other relevant supporting documentation) that was completed by my company prior to the calendar year 2016?

MPM will not accept an EICC GeSI template or any relevant supporting documentation that was completed prior to the calendar year 2016. MPM requires its suppliers to provide information for the calendar year 2016.

11) Where do I locate training materials for completing the EICC GeSI template?

Training materials for completing the EICC GeSI template are available at http://www.conflictfreesmelter.org/ConflictMineralsReportingTemplateDashboard.htm

12) My company is not required to comply with the conflict minerals rule. Is it sufficient to provide MPM with the reasoning behind not being subject to the conflict minerals rule?

MPM needs the assistance of its suppliers to comply with the conflict minerals rule. Therefore, we request that you complete the EICC GeSI template as requested by MPM, regardless of whether your company itself has to file with the SEC.

13) The products I supply to MPM contain conflict minerals in trace amounts. Am I still required to provide MPM with a completed EICC GeSI template?

The conflict minerals rule does not include a de minimis exception. Therefore MCS requires suppliers with trace amounts of conflict minerals to complete the EICC GeSI template in accordance with the requirements of the conflict minerals rule.

14) How can I contact MPM if I have additional questions that are not addressed by this FAQ document?

The MPM conflict minerals team can be contacted at cfspteam@momentive.com.