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January 3, 2022 Dear Customers,

As a result of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the Conflict Minerals rules recently adopted by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), many public companies and their supply base are required to make disclosures regarding whether "conflict minerals" used to manufacture their products originated in the Democratic Republic of Congo ("DRC") or the adjoining countries, as defined below ("Covered Countries"). These "conflict minerals" consist of columbite-tantalite, cassiterite, gold, wolframite, or their derivatives, which are initially limited to tantalum, tin, gold, and tungsten (collectively, the "Conflict Minerals").

High Temp Metals has performed a reasonable inquiry investigation into our domestic supply base, and has determined that material domestically manufactured on and after January 31, 2013 is "DRC Conflict Free" (as defined by the applicable SEC rules).

Based on the alloy purchased and supplied, one or more of the following applies:

The materials supplied by High Temp Metals do not contain or utilize tantalum, tin, tungsten, and gold (collectively, "Conflict Minerals").

The materials supplied by High Temp Metals that were domestically manufactured on and after January 31, 2013 that contain or utilize any Conflict Minerals do not originate from any of the Covered Countries.

The materials supplied by High Temp Metals that was domestically manufactured on and after January 31, 2013 that contain or utilize any Conflict Minerals are from recycled or scrap source, to which the original country of origin can not be determined.

The "Covered Countries" are the Democratic Republic of Congo ("DRC") and the following adjoining countries: a country that shares an internationally recognized border with the DRC, which presently includes Angola, Burundi, Central African Republic, the Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, and Zambia.

Thank you, and we look forward to continued business with you and your company.

Regards,

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