

# Purchase Order Quality Clause QC45 Rev AN March 2024

Commodity **RoHS** 

### Clause C – Manufacturing, Test and Inspection Requirements

## C12 Regulatory Requirements

## **Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)**

All product delivered on this Purchase Order shall be compliant with European Union Directive 2011/65/EU. This regulation details the Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) directive on the restriction of the use of the below Hazardous Substances in electronic equipment: ROHS compliance to be certified for in a suitable form by the supplier (e.g., detailed on the Certificate of Conformity for each delivery or an overriding certification covering all deliveries).

#### **REACH**

Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) is a European Union Regulation of 18 December 2006. REACH addresses the production and use of chemical substances (i.e., everything made of atoms), and their potential impacts on both human health and the environment. Its 849 pages took seven years to pass, and it has been described as the most complex legislation in the Union's history and the most important in 20 years. It is the strictest law to date regulating chemical substances and will affect industries.

#### Conflict Minerals and Cobalt Free Product (Frank-Dodd Act, Sec. 1502)

On August 22, 2012, the final rule regarding sourcing of conflict minerals under Section 1502 of the Dodd Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act ("the Dodd-Frank Act") was approved by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). The rule imposes reporting requirements on publicly traded companies subject to the SEC to report annually the presence of conflict minerals originating in the Democratic Republic of the Congo ("DRC") or adjoining countries ("Covered Countries") in the products they manufacture or contract to manufacture whereby the conflict minerals are necessary to the functionality or production of a product. These "Conflict Minerals" include Coltan (columbite tantalite) and its derivatives (Tantalum); Cassiterite and its derivatives (Tin); Wolframite and its derivatives (Tungsten); and Gold.

At the customer's request, CWDS will make every effort to obtain information related to these industry requirements and will fully disclose to the customer if the information is not available. CWDS does not make any express warranties related to RoHS, REACH, and CM-1502 unless explicitly stated in writing.



CWDS requests that all Supply Chain partners take any necessary steps to comply as applicable to these regulatory directives. We also require that all Suppliers make full disclosure of this information as it is available and/or expressly stated on the CWDS Purchase Order. CWDS will not accept ANY material that has been procured from sources related to the Conflict Mineral regulation.