

## EAST GROUP MINERALS CONFLICT MINERALS POLICY

## INTRODUCTION

The East Group Minerals LTD aims to develop and implement a comprehensive Conflict Mineral Policy in order to achieve Conflict-Free Minerals status. Conflict Minerals and Metals are materials, which through their mining, production or supply have either knowingly or inadvertently been of benefit to illegal armed groups. All such materials are excluded from East Group Minerals supply chain as East Group Minerals will not buy or trade any such conflict minerals. We abide by the requirements of the iTSCi program membership agreement, including recognition of the Annex II model supply chain policy recommended by the OECD, and make in-kind and financial contributions to the programs' support and development. We consider that 'conflict minerals' can most effectively be controlled at source, rather than at the point of smelting.

## **CONFLICT-FREE MINERALS STATUS**

Through a combination of all the above efforts, and in close co-operation with Governments and NGOs, East Group Minerals aims to achieve these goals:

- 1. East Group Minerals t will not trade in minerals that directly or indirectly finances or benefits armed groups in the DRC and/or adjoining countries.
- East Group Minerals Policy is to purchase Materials only from reputable Suppliers with whom it has long-term relationships have been established or on whom adequate Due Diligence in terms of Know Your Supplier Protocols can be carried out.
- 3. If East Group Minerals discover the use of these minerals produced in facilities that are considered to be "non-conflict free", in any material, parts or components we procure, we will take appropriate actions to transition product to be "conflict free".



- 4. In all cases Due Diligence will be conducted on the Supplier and the Supply Chain to ensure that the supply is genuine, legitimate and does not in any way contribute to Conflict or Human Rights abuses.
- 5. Due Diligence will include written Certification and Assurance from each Supplier confirming that there are no Conflict Minerals in their own Supply Chain.
- 6. In the case of exported minerals, the documentary evidence of Due Diligence will include the following for each shipment:
- a. Certificate of Origin Certified by Governmental Authorities.
- b. A Local Independent Surveyor's Report Verifying the Source and Authenticity of the goods.
- c. Various Export Documents -
- d. Proof of Payment of Duties and Taxes to the government
- 7. The Due Diligence will be an ongoing process and the Origin of Minerals will continue to be checked and verified for each shipment.
- 8. East Group Minerals will always comply with both national and international laws relating to Conflict Minerals, including UN Security Council Resolutions and the US Dodd Frank Act.
- 9. East Group Minerals Policy is to differentiate itself by offering its customers and trading partners Conflict Free Minerals and associated products, so that the final customer in the Supply Chain can be confident its products are produced from Minerals which are Conflict Free.

## The Management of East Group Minerals LTD