

Technoassocie Group Responsible Mineral Procurement Guidelines

These Guidelines are established in accordance with the Sumitomo Electric Group CSR Procurement Guidelines and the Basic Policy on Responsible Raw Material Procurement.

1. Technoassocie Group Policy on Responsible Mineral Procurement

As stated in its procurement policy, the Technoassocie Group conducts procurement activities in compliance with applicable laws and regulations and in consideration of social norms.

At the same time, the Group recognizes the risks identified in Annex II of the OECD Due Diligence Guidance—including human rights violations and labor issues in conflict-affected and high-risk areas (CAHRAs)—as significant social issues within the supply chain. These risks include conflict minerals from regions surrounding the Democratic Republic of the Congo, cobalt associated with the worst forms of child labor, as well as mica and other minerals.

To fulfill its social responsibility in procurement activities, the Technoassocie Group has established an internal structure under the responsibility of its three sales headquarters—the Electronics Sales Division, the Automotive Sales Division, and the Area Sales Division—and aims to achieve "responsible mineral procurement" by avoiding the use of minerals associated with such misconduct as raw materials.

When necessary, the Group conducts investigations throughout the supply chain regarding the use of such minerals. If risks are identified or suspected—such as involvement in human rights issues or serving as a source of funding for armed groups—the Group will implement appropriate corrective actions, including avoidance of use.

Note: "Conflict minerals" refer to tantalum, tungsten, tin, gold, or their derivatives originating from the Democratic Republic of the Congo or its surrounding countries, where their trade may serve as a source of funding for armed groups committing serious human rights violations.

2. Management in Line with OECD Guidance and Implementation of Surveys Using CMRT / CRT / EMRT

The Technoassocie Group conducts due diligence for high-risk minerals in its supply chain with reference to the OECD "Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas."

For surveys, the Group uses the following templates provided by the Responsible Minerals Initiative (RMI):

- Conflict Minerals Reporting Template (CMRT)
- Cobalt Reporting Template (CRT)
- Extended Minerals Reporting Template (EMRT)

3. Cooperation with Business Partners

Based on the procurement policy principle of "cooperation founded on mutual understanding and trust with business partners," the Technoassocie Group asks its business partners to understand the Group's approach and to cooperate with the above-mentioned surveys. The Group also requests partners to collaborate toward the realization of responsible mineral procurement throughout the entire supply chain.

4. Information Disclosure

In response to requests from stakeholders, the Technoassocie Group will disclose information within a reasonable scope. Such information includes policies, initiatives, and the status of efforts related to responsible mineral procurement.

Revision History

January 26, 2021:

Initial version established

March 11, 2026:

To ensure alignment with Sumitomo Electric Group policies, the Group implemented a minor revision including:

- The addition of target minerals (such as mica).
- Clarification of corrective measures, including avoidance of use.
- The addition of the Extended Minerals Reporting Template (EMRT) as a survey tool.