



Date: March 11, 2020

To: Big River Steel Customers

Re: Conflict Minerals

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Big River Steel LLC (Big River) deploras the violence in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and adjoining countries and is committed to supporting responsible sourcing of conflict minerals from the region. The conflict minerals are tin, tungsten, tantalum and gold.

Although not a publically traded company, Big River intends to comply with the requirements of the Dodd-Frank Financial Reform Law and the Security and Exchange Commission's Conflict Minerals rule and expects our suppliers to do the same. However, Big River does not directly purchase raw metal ores that may be used in the manufacture of our products for smelters or mines. Rather, we are several supply chain layers removed from the mining and processing of these metals, and as a result, we do not have first-hand knowledge of their source.

Big River is committed to sourcing materials from companies that share our values around human rights, ethics, and environmental responsibility. We support industry efforts such as Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition and Global-sustainability initiatives to enable companies to source conflict-free minerals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Hennessy', on a light-colored background.

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