



## **Advanced Power Electronics Corp.**

### **Conflict Minerals Policy**

There has been increased public awareness of continuing violence and human rights violations in the mining of certain minerals in an area known as the “Conflict Region”, situated in the eastern portion of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and surrounding countries, and controlled by non-government military groups. The Responsible Business Alliance (RBA) and the Global e-Sustainability Initiative (GeSI) have requested that companies take reasonable measures to ensure that certain specified metals are not coming from mines in the Conflict Region.

This statement regarding the Conflict Minerals content in our products is based upon information collected from our manufacturing partners and sub-contractors worldwide. Advanced Power Electronics Corp. supports the RBA and GeSI programs and we have implemented internal procedures to obtain the necessary information from our manufacturing partners, including:

- The origins of specific metals (gold, tin, tantalum, and tungsten at this time) that are used in the production of our products. Suppliers of these metals for use by our partners to produce products for Advanced Power Electronics Corp. must demonstrate that they understand and support the RBA-GeSI initiatives and do not buy or supply metals originating from the Conflict Region.
- Our partners are required to provide written evidence that they are monitoring the origin of these raw materials they use to produce our products and that these materials do not originate from mining or smelting operations in the Conflict Region. This includes completion of the RBA-GeSI Conflict Minerals reporting template wherever possible.

Although our partners may obtain raw materials from many sources, to the best of our knowledge, the materials used in manufacturing our products do not contain metals from the Democratic Republic of the Congo Conflict Regions.