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NEC Group's Responsible Mineral Procurement Policy

There are concerns that mineral resources that are mined in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and surrounding countries are funding armed insurgents who cause conflict and violate human rights.

There is a growing trend of requiring companies to ensure due diligence regarding such minerals through confirming that the mineral resources that they procure do not promote conflict or violations of human rights, including the Dodd–Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act in the United States and the EU Conflict Minerals Regulation.

NEC Group is engaging in responsible mineral procurement activities based on the OECD* Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas (OECD Guidance) by continuing its efforts to use parts and materials with as low a risk as is commercially feasible, to ensure that NEC Group's mineral procurement does not promote conflict or violations of human rights.

When asked by customers for information about the supply chain, we provide information using the Conflict Minerals Reporting Template (CMRT) and Extended Minerals Reporting Template (EMRT) which is issued by the Responsible Minerals Initiative (RMI). The RMI is an initiative endorsed by the Responsible Business Alliance (RBA). NEC monitors mineral reporting developments related to the responsible sourcing of minerals including not only 3TG (tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold), but also other minerals like cobalt and mica.

We carry out surveys of suppliers at regular intervals.

*OECD ; Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

Requests to suppliers

NEC Group makes the following requests of our suppliers.

- To agree to NEC Group's Responsible Mineral Procurement Policy
- As suppliers, to prescribe policies on responsible mineral procurement
- To establish mechanisms for products which exclude those minerals that have a high risk of promoting conflict or violations of human rights
- To confirm that products exclude those minerals that have a high risk of furthering conflict or violations of human rights
- To cooperate with surveys carried out by NEC Group