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**To the costumers of the company
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Statement on H.R. 4173 „Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act“ Section 1502 „Conflict-Minerals“ Conflict Minerals Policy

Dear Sirs or Madams,

Thank you for your interest regarding the obligations concerning the American bill H.R. 4173 „Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act“ Section 1502 on „Conflict Minerals“. Our company is watching the American efforts to forbid and control exploitation and trade of conflict minerals originating in the Democratic Republic of Congo and the adjoining countries very closely. This is also true for the implementation provisions as of August 2012.

As a German Company, we do not directly fall under the scope of application of this law. Nevertheless, we pay a great deal of attention to the National, European and International developments regarding ethical, social and environmental standards.

BKL Electronic takes systematic steps against the use of conflict minerals in its supply chain. So that we do not support the armed groups in the Democratic Republic of Congo indirect or direct and to make sure that we achieve and preserve a DRC-conflict free supply chain. These systematic steps are based on a five-level-structure for an accurate and risk-based control of the source and control chain of the conflict minerals in our supply chain.

BKL Electronic has analyzed all its products, which are manufactured of or manufactured for them and concluded that if the products contain one of these minerals, they are not originated in the Democratic Republic of Congo and the adjoining countries. To make sure the products are staying clear of the conflict minerals BKL Electronic is checking its products and methods where production is involved on a regular base.

Therefore, for the time being we can assume that according to all the information available to us, the material for our products does not contain any of the defined “conflict minerals” like coltan, niobium, tantalum, tin, gold or tungsten from the Democratic Republic of Congo or its adjoining countries. Changes to our knowledge regarding this issue would surely be advised to you immediately.

Sincerely,

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