



AMERICAN OUTDOOR BRANDS CORPORATION

CONFLICT MINERALS REPORT

**FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016**

INTRODUCTION

This Conflict Minerals Report for AMERICAN OUTDOOR BRANDS CORPORATION (“**AOBC**,” “**Company**,” “**we**,” or “**our**”) is provided for the reporting period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, and is presented to comply with Rule 13p-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “**Rule**”), and the Public Statement on the Effect of the Recent Court of Appeals Decision on the Conflict Minerals Rule issued by the Director of the Division of Corporation Finance of the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 29, 2014 (the “**SEC Statement**”). The Rule was adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “**SEC**”) to implement reporting and disclosure requirements related to conflict minerals as directed by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (“**Dodd-Frank Act**”). The Rule imposes certain reporting obligations on SEC registrants whose manufactured products contain tin, tantalum, tungsten, or gold (“**3TG**,” also defined by the Rule as “conflict minerals”), and who have reason to believe that the products they manufacture, or contract to manufacture, contain conflict minerals that are necessary to the functionality or production of those products. If the SEC registrant has reason to believe that any conflict minerals may have originated in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or an adjoining country, or is unable to determine the country of origin of those conflict minerals, the SEC registrant is required to submit a Conflict Minerals Report to the SEC that includes a description of the measures it took to exercise due diligence on the conflict minerals’ source and chain of custody.

COMPANY BACKGROUND

American Outdoor Brands Corporation is a provider of quality products for shooting, hunting, and rugged outdoor enthusiasts in the global consumer and professional markets. The Company reports two segments: Firearms and Outdoor Products & Accessories. Firearms manufactures handgun and long gun products sold under the Smith & Wesson®, M&P®, and Thompson/Center Arms™ brands as well as provides forging, machining, and precision plastic injection molding services. Outdoor Products & Accessories provides shooting, hunting, and outdoor accessories, including reloading, gunsmithing, and gun cleaning supplies, tree saws, vault accessories, knives, laser sighting systems, tactical lighting products, and survival and camping equipment. Brands in Outdoor Products & Accessories include Smith & Wesson®, M&P®, Thompson/Center Arms™, Crimson Trace®, Caldwell® Shooting Supplies, Wheeler® Engineering, Tipton® Gun Cleaning Supplies, Frankford Arsenal® Reloading Tools, Lockdown® Vault Accessories, Hooyman® Premium Tree Saws, BOG POD®, Golden Rod® Moisture Control, Schrade®, Old Timer®, Uncle Henry®, UST™, and Imperial™.

A copy of the Company’s Conflict Mineral Policy is available on our website at www.aobc.com/conflictmineralsreport.

REPORT

This Conflict Minerals Report is provided for the reporting period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 in accordance with the Rule, the instructions to Form SD, and the SEC Statement. Please refer to the Rule, Form SD and Securities Exchange Release No. 34-67716 for definitions to the terms used in this Report, unless otherwise defined herein.

In accordance with the Rule and the instructions to Form SD, AOBC undertook due diligence to determine the source of origin of any necessary conflict minerals used in products it manufactures or contracts to manufacture. In conducting its due diligence, AOBC implemented the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas (including the Supplements on Tin, Tantalum and Tungsten, and the Gold Supplement) (Second Edition OECD 2013) (“**OECD Guidance**”), an internationally recognized due diligence framework.

Design of Our Due Diligence Measures

Our conflict minerals due diligence measures have been designed to conform with the OECD Guidance, as applicable for tin, tantalum, tungsten, gold and downstream companies (as the term is defined in the OECD

Guidance), in all material respects. The Company does not make direct purchases of raw ore or unrefined conflict minerals in the Covered Countries. We designed our due diligence measures to:

1. design and implement strategies to determine the presence of conflict minerals in our products;
2. establish management systems for supply chain due diligence and reporting compliance;
3. identify and assess conflict minerals content in our supply chain;
4. identify and mitigate any risk for potential non-compliance with the Rule; and
5. report on our conflict minerals supply chain due diligence activities, as required by the Rule.

Due Diligence Measures Performed

Except for the assets acquired at our Wilsonville, Oregon and Jacksonville, Florida facilities in 2016, for which we are undertaking activities to bring such operations into compliance with the OECD Guidance, our due diligence measures for the reporting period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 included the following activities:

1. We updated our product taxonomy for the products that were subject to reporting in the 2016 reporting period, and reviewed additions with company product managers, engineers, metallurgists and supply chain personnel, to determine which products or components have the possibility of containing necessary conflict minerals.
2. We surveyed any suppliers involved with products or components we determined could possibly contain necessary conflict minerals, to ascertain for each of these conflict minerals (i) whether the product or component contained necessary conflict minerals, (ii) the smelter or refiner where it was processed, (iii) its country of origin, and (iv) its mine of origin.
3. We leveraged the due diligence conducted on smelters and refiners by the Conflict Free Sourcing Initiative (the “**CFSI**”), and its Conflict-Free Smelter Program (the “**CFSP**”), by comparing the names of the smelters identified by our suppliers to those identified as compliant in the CFSP. The CFSP uses independent private sector auditors to audit the source, including mines of origin, and chain of custody of the conflict minerals used by smelters and refiners that agree to participate in the CFSP. The smelters and refiners that are found to be CFSP compliant are those for which the independent auditor has verified that the smelter’s or refiner’s conflict minerals originated from conflict free mines and trading in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or any of its adjoining countries. A list of smelters identified to date, and associated information, is provided hereto as **Attachment A**.

After conducting good faith due diligence on the presence of necessary conflict minerals in certain of the Company’s products, AOBC has been unable to identify all smelters, refiners in its supply chain and the ultimate source of origin of such minerals. The Company is continuing its efforts to identify and mitigate risks in its supply chain and to obtain complete information from its upstream suppliers. The Company’s efforts are necessarily dependent upon the willingness of its supply chain participants to cooperate and assist in this endeavor and there can be no guarantee that the Company will be able to obtain adequate and reliable information upon which to base its analysis.

INDEPENDENT PRIVATE SECTOR AUDIT

This Report has not been subject to an independent private sector audit in accordance with the SEC Statement.

ATTACHMENT A
SMELTER DETAILS

Smelter Name	Smelter Country	Metal
Advanced Chemical Company	United States	Gold
Aida Chemical Industries Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
Allgemeine Gold-und Silberscheideanstalt A.G.	Germany	Gold
AngloGold Ashanti Córrego do Sítio Mineração	Brazil	Gold
Argor-Heraeus S.A.	Switzerland	Gold
Asahi Pretec Corp	Japan	Gold
Asahi Refining Canada Ltd.	Canada	Gold
Asahi Refining USA Inc.	United States	Gold
Asaka Riken Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
Aurubis AG	Germany	Gold
Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (Central Bank of the Philippines)	Philippines	Gold
Boliden AB	Sweden	Gold
C. Hafner GmbH + Co. KG	Germany	Gold
CCR Refinery - Glencore Canada Corporation	Canada	Gold
Chimet S.p.A.	Italy	Gold
Dowa	Japan	Gold
Eco-System Recycling Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
Elemetal Refining, LLC	United States	Gold
GuangZHou Jin Ding	China	Gold
Heesung Metal Ltd	Korea, Republic of	Gold
Heimerle + Meule GmbH	Germany	Gold
Heraeus Group	United States	Gold
Heraeus Ltd. Hong Kong	China	Gold
Heraeus Precious Metals GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	Gold
Ishifuku Metal Industry Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
Istanbul Gold Refinery	Turkey	Gold
Jiangxi Copper Co., Ltd.	China	Gold
Johnson Matthey Inc	United States	Gold
JX Nippon Mining & Metals Co., Ltd	Japan	Gold
Kennecott Utah Copper LLC	United States	Gold
Kojima Chemicals Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
LS-NIKKO Copper Inc.	Korea, Republic of	Gold
Materion	United States	Gold
Matsuda Sangyo Co. Ltd	Japan	Gold
Metalor Technologies (Hong Kong) Ltd.	China	Gold
Metalor Technologies (Singapore) Pte., Ltd.	Singapore	Gold

Smelter Name	Smelter Country	Metal
Metalor Technologies S.A.	Switzerland	Gold
Metalor USA Refining Corporation	United States	Gold
Metalúrgica Met-Mex Peñoles S.A. De C.V.	Mexico	Gold
Mistubishi Materials Corporation	Japan	Gold
Mitsui Mining and Smelting Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
Nadir Metal Rafineri San. Ve Tic. A.Ş.	Turkey	Gold
Navoi Mining and Metallurgical Combinat	Uzbekistan	Gold
Nihon Material Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
Ohio Precious Metals	United States	Gold
Ohura Precious Metal Industry Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
PAMP S.A.	Switzerland	Gold
PT Aneka Tambang (Persero) Tbk	Indonesia	Gold
PX Précinox S.A.	Switzerland	Gold
Rand Refinery (Pty) Ltd.	South Africa	Gold
Republic Metals Corporation	United States	Gold
Royal Canadian Mint	Canada	Gold
SEMPSA Joyería Platería S.A.	Spain	Gold
Shandong Zhaojin Gold & Silver Refinery Co., Ltd.	China	Gold
Sichuan Tianze Precious Metals Co., Ltd.	China	Gold
SOE Shyolkovsky Factory of Secondary Precious Metals	Russian Federation	Gold
Solar Applied Materials Technology Corp.	Taiwan, Province of China	Gold
Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
Tanaka Kikinzoku Kogyo K.K.	Japan	Gold
The Refinery of Shandong Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	China	Gold
Tokuriki Honten Co., Ltd	Japan	Gold
Umicore Brasil Ltda.	Brazil	Gold
Umicore Precious Metals Thailand	Thailand	Gold
Umicore S.A. Business Unit Precious Metals Refining	Belgium	Gold
United Precious Metal Refining, Inc.	United States	Gold
Valcambi S.A.	Switzerland	Gold
Western Australian Mint trading as The Perth Mint	Australia	Gold
Xstrata Canada Corporation	Canada	Gold
Yamamoto Precious Metal Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
Yokohama Metal Co., Ltd.	Japan	Gold
Zhongyuan Gold Smelter of Zhongjin Gold Corporation	China	Gold
Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd. Gold Refinery	China	Gold
Changsha South Tantalum Niobium Co., Ltd.	China	Tantalum
Conghua Tantalum and Niobium Smeltry	China	Tantalum
D Block Metals, LLC	United States	Tantalum

Smelter Name	Smelter Country	Metal
Duoluoshan	China	Tantalum
Exotech Inc.	United States	Tantalum
F&X Electro-Materials Ltd.	China	Tantalum
Global Advanced Metals Aizu	Japan	Tantalum
Global Advanced Metals Boyertown	United States	Tantalum
Guangdong Zhiyuan New Material Co., Ltd.	China	Tantalum
H.C. Starck Co., Ltd.	Thailand	Tantalum
H.C. Starck GmbH Goslar	Germany	Tantalum
H.C. Starck GmbH Laufenburg	Germany	Tantalum
H.C. Starck Hermsdorf GmbH	Germany	Tantalum
H.C. Starck Inc.	United States	Tantalum
H.C. Starck Ltd.	Japan	Tantalum
H.C. Starck Smelting GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	Tantalum
Hengyang King Xing Lifeng New Materials Co., Ltd.	China	Tantalum
Hi-Temp Specialty Metals, Inc.	United States	Tantalum
Hunan Nonferrous Metals Holding Group Co. Ltd.	China	Tantalum
JiuJiang JinXin Nonferrous Metals Co. Ltd.	China	Tantalum
Jiujiang Tanbre Co., Ltd.	China	Tantalum
Jiujiang Zhongao Tantalum & Niobium Co., Ltd.	China	Tantalum
LSM Brasil S.A.	Brazil	Tantalum
Mineração Taboca S.A.	Brazil	Tantalum
Mitsui Mining and Smelting Co., Ltd.	Japan	Tantalum
Ningxia Orient Tantalum Industry Co., Ltd.	China	Tantalum
Plansee SE Liezen	Austria	Tantalum
Plansee SE Reutte	Austria	Tantalum
Solikamsk Magnesium Works OAO	Russian Federation	Tantalum
Taki Chemical Co., Ltd.	Japan	Tantalum
Telex Metals	United States	Tantalum
Ulba Metallurgical Plant JSC	Kazakhstan	Tantalum
Yichun Jin Yang Rare Metal Co., Ltd.	China	Tantalum
Zhuzhou Cemented Carbide Group Co., Ltd.	China	Tantalum
AIM	Canada	Tin
Alpha	United States	Tin
Banka	Indonesia	Tin
China Tin Group Co., Ltd.	China	Tin
Cooperativa Metalurgica de Rondônia Ltda.	Brazil	Tin
CV Ayi Jaya	Indonesia	Tin
CV Gita Pesona	Indonesia	Tin
CV Serumpun Sebalai	Indonesia	Tin
CV United Smelting	Indonesia	Tin

Smelter Name	Smelter Country	Metal
CV Venus Inti Perkasa	Indonesia	Tin
Dongguan City Thousand Island Metal Tin Co., Ltd.	China	Tin
Elmet S.L.U.	Spain	Tin
EM Vinto	Bolivia	Tin
Fenix Metals	Poland	Tin
Gejiu Kai Meng Industry and Trade LLC	China	Tin
Gejiu Non-Ferrous Metal Processing Co., Ltd.	China	Tin
Guangdong Zhongshi Metal Co., Ltd	China	Tin
GuangXi China Tin	China	Tin
He Nan Yu Gang	China	Tin
Jiangxi Ketai Advanced Material Co., Ltd.	China	Tin
Jiangyin Juneng Aluminum Company	China	Tin
Jun Hon Ji	China	Tin
Magnu's Minerais Metais e Ligas Ltda.	Brazil	Tin
Malaysia Smelting Corporation (MSC)	Malaysia	Tin
Melt Metais e Ligas S.A.	Brazil	Tin
Mentok Tin Smelter	Indonesia	Tin
Metallic Resources, Inc.	United States	Tin
Metallo-Chimique N.V.	Belgium	Tin
Mineração Taboca S.A.	Brazil	Tin
Minsur	Peru	Tin
O.M. Manufacturing (Thailand) Co., Ltd.	Thailand	Tin
O.M. Manufacturing Philippines, Inc.	Philippines	Tin
OMSA	Bolivia	Tin
Operaciones Metalurgical S.A.	Bolivia	Tin
PT Aries Kencana Sejahtera	Indonesia	Tin
PT Artha Cipta Langgeng	Indonesia	Tin
PT ATD Makmur Mandiri Jaya	Indonesia	Tin
PT Babel Inti Perkasa	Indonesia	Tin
PT Bangka Prima Tin	Indonesia	Tin
PT Bangka Putra Karya	Indonesia	Tin
PT Bangka Tin Industry	Indonesia	Tin
PT Belitung Industri Sejahtera	Indonesia	Tin
PT Bukit Timah	Indonesia	Tin
PT Cipta Persada Mulia	Indonesia	Tin
PT DS Jaya Abadi	Indonesia	Tin
PT Eunindo Usaha Mandiri	Indonesia	Tin
PT Indra Eramulti Logam Industri	Indonesia	Tin
PT Inti Stania Prima	Indonesia	Tin
PT Koba Tin	Indonesia	Tin

Smelter Name	Smelter Country	Metal
PT Mitra Stania Prima	Indonesia	Tin
PT Panca Mega Persada	Indonesia	Tin
PT Prima Timah Utama	Indonesia	Tin
PT Refined Bangka Tin	Indonesia	Tin
PT Sariwiguna Binasentosa	Indonesia	Tin
PT Stanindo Inti Perkasa	Indonesia	Tin
PT Sukses Inti Makmur	Indonesia	Tin
PT Sumber Jaya Indah	Indonesia	Tin
PT TAMBANG TIMAH (BANKA)	Indonesia	Tin
PT Timah	Indonesia	Tin
PT Timah (Persero) Tbk Kundur	Indonesia	Tin
PT Timah (Persero) Tbk Mentok	Indonesia	Tin
PT Tinindo Inter Nusa	Indonesia	Tin
PT Wahana Perkit Jaya	Indonesia	Tin
Resind Indústria e Comércio Ltda.	Brazil	Tin
Rui Da Hung	Taiwan, Province of China	Tin
Shen Mao Solder(m)Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	Tin
Soft Metais Ltda.	Brazil	Tin
Thailand Smelting and Refining Co. Ltd.	Thailand	Tin
Thaisarco	Thailand	Tin
VQB Mineral and Trading Group JSC	Vietnam	Tin
White Solder Metalurgia e Mineração Ltda. (Jin Zhou)	Brazil	Tin
Yunnan Chengfeng Non-ferrous Metals Co., Ltd.	China	Tin
Yunnan Tin Company Limited	China	Tin
A.L.M.T. TUNGSTEN Corp.	Japan	Tungsten
Chenzhou Diamond Tungsten Products Co., Ltd.	China	Tungsten
Chongyi Zhangyuan Tungsten Co., Ltd.	China	Tungsten
Fujian Jinxin Tungsten Co., Ltd.	China	Tungsten
Ganzhou Huaxing Tungsten Products Co., Ltd.	China	Tungsten
Ganzhou Seadragon W & Mo Co., Ltd.	China	Tungsten
Global Tungsten & Powders Corp	United States	Tungsten
Guangdong Xianglu Tungsten Co., Ltd.	China	Tungsten
H.C. Starck GmbH Goslar	Germany	Tungsten
H.C. Starck Smelting GmbH & Co. KG	Germany	Tungsten
Hunan Chuangda Vanadium Tungsten Co., Ltd. Wuji	China	Tungsten
Hunan Chunchang Nonferrous Metals Co., Ltd.	China	Tungsten
Hydrometallurg, JSC	Russian Federation	Tungsten
Izawa metal Co., Ltd.	Japan	Tungsten
Japan New Metals Co., Ltd.	Japan	Tungsten

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Jiangsu Shagang Group Huyai gang Special Steel Co., LTD	China	Tungsten
Jiangwu H.C. Starck Tungsten Products Co., Ltd.	China	Tungsten
Jiangxi Xinsheng Tungsten Industry Group Co Ltd	China	Tungsten
Kennametal Huntsville	United States	Tungsten
Niagara Refining LLC	United States	Tungsten
Nui Phao H.C. Starck Tungsten Chemicals Manufacturing LLC	Vietnam	Tungsten
Plansee	Austria	Tungsten
Qian'an City Jiuji Wire Co., LTD	China	Tungsten
Shanghai Baosteel Group Corporation	China	Tungsten
Tejing (Vietnam) Tungsten Co., Ltd.	Vietnam	Tungsten
Wolfram Bergbau und Hütten AG	Austria	Tungsten
Wolfram Company CJSC	Russian Federation	Tungsten
Xiamen Tungsten (H.C.) Co., Ltd.	China	Tungsten
Xiamen Tungsten Co Ltd	China	Tungsten