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TANTALUM MATERIAL SOURCING

PRODUCTS: SMT TANTALUM ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITORS

SERIES: NTC, NTC-L & NTP

Subject: Source of Tantalum Ore

Ref: Tantalum material originating in the crisis areas of central Africa

NIC has confirmed that its SMT tantalum electrolytic capacitors are free of tantalum material of African origin.

Our suppliers of refined tantalum powder, and their raw ore material suppliers, have indicated that **none** of the tantalum materials, used in the production of the above referenced NIC product series, has originated from illegal mined ore in Africa. They also further pledged not to purchase any such illegally mined tantalum ore in the future.

Source of the tantalum ore and refined powder material is: Germany, USA, South America, Australia, and Southeast Asia.

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