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To whom it may concern:

Exotech, Inc. has been listed as a conformant Tantalum smelter of the Responsible Minerals Initiative (RMI) since 2011. Upon further review, we have determined that Exotech is **NOT ELIGIBLE** for the Tantalum Smelter Program. Exotech is neither a processor of Tantalum-bearing ores or minerals, nor trades in Tantalum-bearing ores or minerals.

Exotech is a Tantalum Scrap processor. We do NOT handle any Ta bearing minerals or ores. Our supply chain is entirely composed of Tantalum Scrap Metal or metal sourced from RMI approved smelters. Tantalum Scrap Metal is exempt from the RMI and OECD requirements.

In fact, Exotech does not have the chemical capabilities to be considered a Tantalum Smelter and thus we are not eligible for the RMI Tantalum Smelter program. Our operation is designed exclusively for recycling Tantalum Scrap Metal. We have NO ability to process minerals or ores.

Exotech is the world's largest processor of Tantalum Scrap metal. The requirements of the RMI audits are no longer feasible nor applicable for a company that has never had any working history with minerals or ores. The Scrap Tantalum that Exotech handles is entirely exempt by the RMI, thus the auditing requirements of the RMI are entirely impractical and do not apply to a scrap processor.

Exotech will continue to complete all Conflict Minerals Reporting Templates (CMRTs) required from customers and downstream users. We will remain and hereby CERTIFY that Exotech is completely dedicated to a conflict-free supply chain and will stay compliant on all RMI and OECD guidelines for exempt Tantalum Scrap.

THEREFORE – All downstream users of our products will remain perfectly compliant, as our CMRT and requested customer audits will confirm products to be 100% Recycled/Scrap or sourced from RMI Compliant Smelters.

We hope that the above clarifies Exotech's position with regards to the Responsible Minerals Initiative. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact David Gussack at David@exotech.com, or (954) 917-1919.

Thank you.

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