



## CONFLICT MINERALS STATEMENT

Sebden Steel Service Centres Limited recognises that the company has a role to play in respecting human rights through responsible operations and respecting all relevant national and international laws and standards. Our aim is to ensure that our business activities do not contribute to conflict.

“Conflict minerals” are minerals mined in conditions of armed conflict and human rights abuses, and which are sold or traded by armed groups. This has for some years been a particular problem in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

Conflict minerals in the eastern DRC are generally defined (including in US legislation and the OECD due diligence guidance for responsible mineral supply chains) as cassiterite (tin), coltan (tantalum), wolframite (tungsten) and gold, or derivatives of these minerals. Sometimes these minerals are referred to as the ‘three Ts’ - tin, tantalum and tungsten (and gold).

Sebden Steel Service Centres Limited has never knowingly purchased steel containing conflict minerals. We support government initiatives that seek to ensure conflict-free mineral trade and do not purchase materials from the Democratic Republic of Congo or any of its neighbouring countries.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark McCausland".

Dated: 5/6/2023

**Mark McCausland**

**Managing Director**

**Sebden Steel Service Centres Limited**