



Statement on conflict minerals

Our company is a global organisation committed in conducting our business in a sustainable and ethical manner. We believe that sustainability in its three dimensions, environmental, social and economic are fundamental pillars in conducting our business. In alignment with our values, we strive to secure sustainable business activities in order to provide long term value for all our customers, stakeholders and benefits for the communities we work in.

We recognise the increasing concerns related to the extraction and sale of conflict minerals mined in conditions of armed conflict and human rights abuses, and which are traded or sold by armed groups. Knowledge of conflict minerals has increased by regulations published in the United States as well as through work on similar legislation in the EU. We endeavour to not purchase any material that contains conflict minerals which directly or indirectly benefit armed groups that contribute to significant human rights abuses, for example in the Democratic Republic of Congo and adjoining countries. Our Code of Conduct is based on the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights which outlines the standards in which we adhere. We have also taken proactive measures to work closely with customers, suppliers and other stakeholders regarding good practices and feasible solutions for the continued development of a responsible supply chain.

Our main products consists of magnetite iron ore pellets and sinter fines from our own mines in the north of Sweden. In addition to this we also source minerals from suppliers worldwide for further processing or direct sales to end-uses in numerous industries through our subsidiary LKAB Minerals. We do not consciously acquire any materials that contribute to the violation of human rights and we expect the same behaviour from our suppliers, as stated in our Supplier Code of Conduct.

We place the highest value on social and ecological considerations such as the protection of human rights, the fight against corruption and protecting the environment. At present we are implementing reasonable due diligence processes to identify, prevent and mitigate any human rights impacts we may have. Conflict minerals will thus be part of our regular work with vendor evaluation as we are trying to understand where conflict minerals are being used in our products and determining the source within our supply chain.

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Place, Date

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jan Moström', written over a horizontal blue line.

Jan Moström
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