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To Whom It May Concern,

On July 21, 2010, the Conflict Minerals Law was signed into law as Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Under this Act, foreign and domestic companies are required to report the use of "Conflict Minerals" from the Democratic Republic of Congo or adjoining countries. These "Conflict Minerals" are tantalite, tin, tungsten and gold.

A review of Severstal North America's supply chain has confirmed that no such minerals utilized in our manufacturing process originate from the Democratic Republic of Congo or adjoining countries.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Saikat Dey".

Saikat Dey  
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Brian D'Emidio  
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