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North Star BlueScope Steel, LLC operates a steel mill located near Delta, OH USA for the manufacture of steel sheet product hot rolled bands.

In response to Federal Law H.R. 4173, The Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, section 1502 concerning "conflict minerals", we have polled our suppliers of Ferro Columbium (FeCb) for the mineralogical origin of their raw materials. The Federal Act requires publicly traded companies to annually disclose whether they use "conflict minerals" from the Democratic Republic of Congo or an adjoining country as necessary for the functionality or production of product.

North Star BlueScope, LLC is not a publicly traded company but wants to comply with the spirit of the Federal Act if so inquired by our customers. Furthermore, the only potential conflict mineral used in the production of steel at our facility is FeCb. We have two current suppliers and both of them have their columbium sourced from minerals mined in Brazil and thus are not "conflict minerals". If additional suppliers of FeCb are contacted they will be required to disclose the origin of their raw materials before purchases are made.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,
Tim Mitchell