

## Dear Customer:

Firestone Industrial Products is aware of the new legislation from the Frank-Dodd Consumer Protection Act requiring disclosure of conflict mineral sourcing to the SEC. Firestone Industrial Products is not registered with the SEC and therefore is not subject to the reporting rule but is striving to supply our customers with all the information needed to comply with the new law.

Firestone has begun the process of requiring all suppliers to fill out the EICC conflict mineral disclosure form. We are working with our suppliers to gather the required information as quickly as possible. However, due to the amount of information required this process is taking more time than anticipated. The additional time needed to gather accurate data will cause Firestone to have a status of Conflict Undeterminable for the 2013 reporting year.

Once all our suppliers have responded with accurate and complete reporting forms, we will send an update with our conflict mineral status. If you have any questions, contact your local sales representative.