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Position Statement of Fair-Rite Product Corp. on DFARS section 252.225-7014 and Alternate I (Deviation 2008-O0002)

The materials associated with the electronic components that Fair-Rite Products Corp. supplies are not relevant to the criteria of the DFARS section 252.225-7014 and its Alternate I (Deviation 2008-O0002). Ferrite, a ceramic, is an inorganic, non-metallic material. Also, per the definitions below, the leads and terminations associated with some of our electronic components are not relevant to the published criteria.

Essentially, Nickel-Zinc and Manganese-Zinc ferrite materials are not metals. As far as the specialty metals identification, ferrite materials and the leads and terminations associated with some of our electronic components do not meet these criteria either. The following was excerpted from the definitions section of "252.225-7014 Preference for Domestic Specialty Metals" and its Alternate I (Deviation 2008-O0002):

"Specialty metals" means-

(i) Steel-

(A) With a maximum alloy content exceeding one or more of the following limits: manganese, 1.65 percent; silicon, 0.60 percent; or copper, 0.60 percent; or

(B) Containing more than 0.25 percent of any of the following elements: aluminum, chromium, cobalt, molybdenum, nickel, niobium (columbium), titanium, tungsten, or vanadium;

(ii) Metal alloys consisting of-

(A) Nickel or iron-nickel alloys that contain a total of alloying metals other than nickel and iron in excess of 10 percent; or

(B) Cobalt alloys that contain a total of alloying metals other than cobalt and iron in excess of 10 percent

(iii) Titanium and titanium alloys; or

(iv) Zirconium and zirconium alloys.

Ferrite materials, leads and terminations are not steel. Nor are ferrite materials, leads and terminations a metal or a metal alloy as defined above. And lastly, ferrite materials, leads and terminations are also not Titanium based nor a Zirconium based alloy.

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