## **Conflict Minerals Policy Statement**

On August 22, 2012, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission issued its rule on conflict minerals ("Conflict Minerals Rule") in accordance with Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act"). The Dodd-Frank Act and related rules require certain companies to disclose the extent to which the products they manufacture or contract to manufacture contain conflict minerals sourced from the Democratic Republic of the Congo ("DRC") or adjoining countries (collectively, the "Covered Countries"). Conflict minerals ("Conflict Minerals"), including columbite-tantalite (coltan), cassiterite, gold, wolframite and their derivatives (which derivatives are currently limited to derivatives tantalum, tin and tungsten (collectively, "3TG")). Conflict Minerals are used in many electronic components and medical devices specifically for patient safety and reliability.

As a leading global eye health company that develops, manufactures, and markets a range of products, primarily in the areas of eye health, including contact lenses, intraocular lenses and other medical devices, surgical systems and devices, vitamin and mineral supplements, lens care products, prescription eye-medications and other consumer products, Bausch + Lomb promotes the traceability of these Conflict Minerals and the transparency of our supply chain. Bausch + Lomb firmly believes that our customers should be fully informed about our products.

With respect to those limited aspects of Bausch + Lomb's business that manufacture or contract to manufacture products that do contain Conflict Minerals, which are necessary for the safe functionality of the product, Bausch + Lomb endeavors not to purchase goods, parts or materials or sell any products that contain Conflict Minerals, including 3TG, that directly or indirectly finance or benefit armed groups in the Covered Countries. Bausch + Lomb expects its portfolio of suppliers to source materials in an ethical, responsible, and sustainable manner, and adhere to the legal requirements applicable where they operate. We fully understand the importance of this issue to our customers and are committed to supply chain initiatives and overall corporate social responsibility and sustainability efforts that promote a supply chain that is free of Conflict Minerals that directly or indirectly finance or benefit armed groups in the Covered Countries.