# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# **FORM SD**

**Specialized Disclosure Report** 

# THERMON GROUP HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **001-35159** (Commission File Number)

27-2228185 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

100 Thermon Drive San Marcos, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

78666

(zip code)

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(Name and telephone number, including area code, of the person to contact in connection with this report.)

Check the appropriate box to indicate the rule pursuant to which this form is being filed, and provide the period to which the information in this form applies:

X Rule 13p-1 under the Securities Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13p-1) for the reporting period from January 1 to December 31, 2016.

# Item 1.01 Conflict Minerals Disclosure

# **Conflict Minerals Disclosure and Report**

A copy of Thermon Group Holdings, Inc.'s Conflict Minerals Report is filed as Exhibit 1.01 and is available at <a href="http://www.thermon.com/conflictminerals">http://www.thermon.com/conflictminerals</a>.

# Item 1.02 Exhibit

The Conflict Minerals Report required by Item 1.01 is filed as Exhibit 1.01 to this Form SD.

# Section 2 - Exhibits

## Item 2.01 Exhibits

Exhibit 1.01 - Conflict Minerals Report as required by Items 1.01 and 1.02 of this Form.

# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the duly authorized undersigned.

Date: May 26, 2017 THERMON GROUP HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Jay Peterson

Name: Jay Peterson

Title: Chief Financial Officer

# Thermon Group Holdings, Inc. Conflict Minerals Report For The Year Ended December 31, 2016

## INTRODUCTION

This Conflict Minerals Report (the "Report") is filed as an exhibit to the Specialized Disclosure Report on Form SD ("Form SD") of Thermon Group Holdings, Inc. (the "Company," "we" or "our") for the calendar year ended December 31, 2016 pursuant to Rule 13p-1 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule"). The Rule was adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") to implement reporting and disclosure requirements related to "conflict minerals" as directed by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010.

Conflict minerals are defined by the SEC as columbite-tantalite (coltan), cassiterite, gold, wolframite, or their derivatives, which are limited to tantalum, tin and tungsten. The Rule imposes certain reporting obligations on SEC registrants whose products contain conflict minerals that are necessary to the functionality or production of their products (such minerals are referred to as "necessary conflict minerals"), excepting conflict minerals that, prior to January 31, 2013, were located "outside of the supply chain" (as defined in the Rule).

For products which contain necessary conflict minerals, the registrant must conduct in good faith a reasonable country of origin inquiry ("RCOI") designed to determine whether any of the conflict minerals originated in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (the "DRC") or an adjoining country (collectively, the "Covered Countries"). If, based on such inquiry, the registrant knows or has reason to believe that any of the necessary conflict minerals contained in its products originated or may have originated in a Covered Country and knows or has reason to believe that those necessary conflict minerals may not be solely from recycled or scrap sources, the registrant must conduct due diligence to attempt to determine if the necessary conflict minerals contained in those products did or did not directly or indirectly finance or benefit armed groups in the Covered Countries.

#### COMPANY OVERVIEW AND PRODUCTS

We are a provider of highly engineered industrial process heating solutions. We have serviced customers in the energy, chemical and power generation industries for over 60 years. We maintain four manufacturing facilities on three continents. We also fabricate, or assemble, certain products at various other locations around the globe. Thermon's primary product categories include flexible heating cable, tube bundles, hopper heaters and instrumentation (including controllers), control panels and thermostats (collectively, the "product lines").

### SUPPLY CHAIN DESCRIPTION

We have evaluated our product lines to determine whether or not products that we manufacture or contract to manufacture contain necessary conflict minerals and have identified the presence of at least one necessary conflict mineral in our product lines.

As a global provider of industrial process heating solutions, we purchase the materials used in our products from a large network of suppliers; some of those materials contribute necessary conflict minerals to our products. We are one of the last suppliers in our customers' supply chain; as such, we are often far removed from the mine, smelter or refinery where the necessary conflict minerals were originally processed. Therefore, we have relied on our suppliers to assist with our RCOI and due diligence efforts, including the identification of mines, smelters and refiners, for the necessary conflict minerals contained in the materials which they supply to us.

## REASONABLE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN INQUIRY

In accordance with the Rule, we took measures to determine the reasonable country of origin for materials used in our production process that contained necessary conflict minerals. We identified the suppliers that may contribute necessary conflict minerals to our products, and requested that each identified supplier complete the Conflict Minerals Reporting Template ("CMRT") developed by the Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition's Global e-Sustainability Initiative (EICC-GeSI). The Company evaluated all responses received from suppliers for reasonableness based on our knowledge of the procurement and production process. For those suppliers that identified mine, smelter or refinery facilities, we assessed whether such mines, smelters or refineries have been identified as conflict free per the EICC-GeSI Conflict Free Smelter Program ("CFS"). If the facility was not identified as conflict free per the CFS, independent research was performed to determine if the country of origin or smelter could be readily identified. We did not perform any third party audits of our supply chain, as we do not have a direct relationship with any of the mines, smelters or refiners where the necessary conflict minerals are processed.

We were not able to identify with reasonable certainty the country of origin or whether the materials came from recycled or scrap sources for any of our product lines containing one of the necessary conflict minerals, and accordingly, we have been unable to confirm the identification of and conflict-free status under CFS standards for any mines, refineries or smelters used in our supply chain, and whether such necessary conflict minerals directly or indirectly financed or benefited armed groups in a Covered Country.

#### DUE DILIGENCE FRAMEWORK

In performing our due diligence, we followed the framework established by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Developments ("OECD"), found within the document entitled *OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas* and its related supplements. As a company, we are committed to the promotion of peace and the avoidance of human rights abuses across the globe and we expect our suppliers to source materials from socially responsible suppliers. We have established a company policy that enforces our commitment to maintaining a transparent and responsible supply chain. The policy has been communicated to all of the suppliers that we identified as a possible source of necessary conflict minerals.

We developed a cross-functional team to ensure timely implementation and execution of the due diligence program. We also enable our employees and suppliers to report any concerns relating to our conflict minerals program through our designated email address, <a href="mailto:conflict.minerals@thermon.com">conflict.minerals@thermon.com</a>. In addition, we initiated multiple rounds of communication and follow-up to suppliers that did not respond to our initial supply chain survey attempts.

## EFFORTS TO MITIGATE RISK

We intend to continue our efforts to achieve a more transparent supply chain in calendar year 2017, including: (i) expanding our conflict minerals due diligence program on newly acquired businesses, (ii) extending our RCOIs further into our supply chain, (iii) actively communicating with our suppliers to assess the adequacy of their due diligence efforts, and (iv) improving our supplier data and contact information.

## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Report includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Act"). All statements in this Report other than statements of historical fact, including, without limitation, statements regarding our conflict minerals compliance plans, are forward-looking statements. Words such as "may," "intend," "will," "believe," "plan," "expect" and other terms of similar meaning or the negative thereof are generally intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other factors, some of which are beyond our control. Except as required by applicable law, we assume no obligation, and disclaim any duty, to update or revise forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, events or otherwise.