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Subject: Rare Earth Mineral Use at ON Semiconductor

To our Valued Customer:

ON Semiconductor is aware of the potential supply shortage of rare earth minerals and that our customers are concerned about their use in the production of electronic products. We understand that our customers are concerned about their exposure to the use of these minerals and the potential to have disruptions in their supply chain.

These minerals are not especially common, are known to exist in a limited number of geographic areas and are difficult to mine in profitable quantities. Below is the reference of the group of minerals noted as rare earth:


Cerium	Dysprosium	Erbium	Europium	Gadolinium	Holmium
Lanthanum	Lutetium	Neodymium	Praseodymium	Promethium	Samarium
Scandium	Terbium	Thulium	Ytterbium	Yttrium	


ON Semiconductor does not intentionally add any rare earth elements to any of our products. There may be some trace rare earths in some ceramic packaging, but we do not manufacture any of the actual ceramics nor are they added intentionally.

We are concerned and aware that the use of rare minerals in the supply chain, will impact our customers and the environment through cost, shortage of materials and negative environmental impact.

ON expects our suppliers to analyze their supply chain. This due diligence may include, but is not limited to, audits, confirmation, research and review sessions. Based on our knowledge as of this moment, these rare earth minerals are not being used at our suppliers.

As a member of the Electronics Industry Citizenship Coalition (EICC) we support business initiatives such as Global e-Sustainability Initiative (GeSI) and Electronics Industry Citizenship Coalition (EICC) which are trying to create better conditions for controlling work standards and raw materials production.


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