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KOBE STEEL MATERIALS STATEMENT

Kobe Steel, Ltd reported on October 8 and 13, 2017, that a portion of aluminum and alloy flat-rolled products, extrusions, castings and forgings, copper and alloy strips, tubes and molds, steel and alloy wires and special steels originating from its aluminum, copper and steel group companies, did not comply with product specifications due to improper conduct, including the rewriting of inspection certificates. Known shipment dates include, but may not be limited to, September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017.

Greater detail and ongoing notifications are available from the official Kobelco webpage:
http://www.kobelco.co.jp/english/information/1197841_16244.html

Würth Electronics Midcom has surveyed its potentially affected suppliers and confirms that there are no components containing materials from Kobe Steel in our supply chain. Therefore, all Würth Electronics Midcom products are free of concerns arising from the reported Kobe Steel quality control issues.

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John Hauber
Materials Compliance Engineer

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