

## **OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

## VPC COMPLIANCE WITH SANCTIONS LEVIED AGAINST RUSSIA AND BELARUS BY THE EUROPEAN UNION AND UNITED STATES

VPC is committed to adhering to all laws, sanctions and regulations both domestic and global. In response to the economic sanctions imposed by the EU and US against Russia and Belarus in the form of trade sanctions and export controls, VPC is continuing to perform due diligence by monitoring its supply chain. We are staying informed as to the latest additions or changes to these sanctions as they develop to ensure our continued compliance and adherence.

The latest review of our supply chain's traceability does not indicate any conflict with current sanctions, controls, or restrictions as imposed by the EU or US. In addition, VPC has ceased product sales and shipments into Russia and Belarus. During the sales qualification process, VPC determines to the best of its ability, the end user of all products that are sold and distributed by VPC. However, we cannot bear responsibility for VPC products sold or distributed by third parties that are acquired fraudulently and then redistributed without VPC's knowledge, consent, or control.

VPC will continue to monitor all trade sanctions and export controls as imposed by the EU and US and will remain vigilant in its efforts for complete compliance and adherence.

