



## ACME Magnetics USA, Inc.

### Position Statement of ACME Magnetics USA, Inc. on DFARS section 252.225-7014

The soft ferrite components that ACME Magnetics USA, Inc. supplies are not applicable to the DFARS section 252.225-7014. As we interpret the noted DFARS section, ferrite, a ceramic, an inorganic, non-metallic material, is not applicable. Following is an excerpt from the definitions section of "252.225-7014 Preference for Domestic Specialty Metals":

"Specialty metals" means-

(i) Steel-

(A) With a maximum alloy content exceeding one or more of the following limits: manganese, 1.65 percent; silicon, 0.60 percent; or copper, 0.60 percent; or

(B) Containing more than 0.25 percent of any of the following elements: aluminum, chromium, cobalt, columbium, molybdenum, nickel, titanium, tungsten, or vanadium;

(ii) Metal alloys consisting of nickel, iron-nickel, and cobalt base alloys containing a total of other alloying metals (except iron) in excess of 10 percent;

(iii) Titanium and titanium alloys; or

(iv) Zirconium and zirconium base alloys.

Essentially, NiZn and MnZn ferrite materials are not metals and do not apply to this section. Ferrite is not steel, a metal or a metal alloy as defined above. Ferrite is also not Titanium based nor a Zirconium based alloy.

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Vice President