
Section 1: SD (SD)

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM SD Specialized Disclosure Report

ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS, L.P.
(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

0-26823
(Commission File Number)

73-1564280
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1717 South Boulder Avenue, Suite 400, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119
(Address of principal executive offices and 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 the form applies:

Rule 13p-1 under the Securities Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13p-1) for the reporting period from January 1 to December 31, 2018.

Item 1.01 Conflict Minerals Disclosure**Conflict Minerals Disclosure**

An indirect subsidiary of Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. ("we," "our" or "ARLP"), Matrix Design Group, LLC ("Matrix"), provides a variety of mine products and services for ARLP's mining operations and to unrelated third-parties. These mine products, like virtually all consumer electronics, contain various metals, including tantalum, tin, tungsten and gold ("Conflict Minerals"), which originate from mines around the world.

Pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Commission Final Rule on Conflict Minerals, 17 CFR Parts 240 and 249b (the "SEC Final Rule"), we have performed a reasonable country of origin inquiry regarding Conflict Minerals from applicable suppliers using the template designed by the Responsible Minerals Initiative ("RMI"). Our procedures included communicating to Matrix's suppliers the importance of compliance with the SEC Final Rule. Because Matrix lacks direct access to sub-tier suppliers, we relied on Matrix's contract manufacturers to provide information on the origin of the Conflict Minerals contained in any products supplied to us using the RMI template. We received 85% of requested supply-chain surveys from Matrix's contract manufacturers and those responses did not provide complete information regarding all Conflict Minerals that may have been contained in the products they manufactured for us. Nevertheless, we reviewed the supply-chain surveys against the list of smelter facilities which have been identified as "conflict free" by the RMI and the Responsible Minerals Assurance Process and performed independent searches for information on the smelter facilities included in each supply-chain survey.

Our inquiry into the sources and chain of custody of any Conflict Minerals in our products did not provide us enough information to determine whether the Conflict Minerals used by Matrix in its products originated in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or adjoining countries, directly or indirectly financed or benefited armed groups, or came from recycled or scrap sources for the year ended December 31, 2018.

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 undersigned hereunto duly authorized, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on May 6, 2019.

ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Alliance Resource Management GP, LLC
its general partner

/s/ Brian L. Cantrell

Brian L. Cantrell

*Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer*