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

FORM SD

Specialized Disclosure Report

Hardinge Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York 000-15760 16-0470200 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification No.)

One Hardinge Drive

Elmira, NY

14902

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Robert R. Rogowski (607) 378-2281

(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 this form applies:

ý Rule 13p-1 under the Securities Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13p-1) for the reporting period from January 1 to December 31, 2016.

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SECTION 1 - CONFLICT MINERALS DISCLOSURE

Item 1.01 Conflict Minerals Disclosure and Report

Conflict Minerals Disclosure

Hardinge Inc. (the "Company") has filed a Conflict Minerals Report for the calendar year ended December 31, 2016 as Exhibit 1.01 to this Specialized Disclosure Report on Form SD. A copy of the Company's Conflict Minerals Report for the calendar year ended December 31, 2016 is also publicly available on the Company's website at www.hardinge.com.

Item 1.02 Exhibit

The Company's Conflict Minerals Report for the calendar year ended December 31, 2016 is filed as Exhibit 1.01 hereto.

SECTION 2 - EXHIBITS

Item 2.01 Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description

1.01 Conflict Minerals Report as required by Items 1.01 and 1.02 of this Form SD.

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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 duly authorized undersigned.

Hardinge Inc. (Registrant)

May 19, 2017 /s/ Robert R. Rogowski

Name: Robert R. Rogowski Title: Corporate Controller