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RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES SOLID GOLD JEWELLERS PTY LTD

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Solid Gold Jewellers Pty Ltd, the Australian - based jewellery retailer, has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification system.

"RJC warmly congratulates Solid Gold Jewellers Pty Ltd on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Iftikhar Baig from SGS, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"Solid Gold Jewellers Pty Ltd is honoured to have achieved RJC Certification. The importance of the ethical treatment of employees and the guidelines outlined by the RJC is mirrored in the high standards of working environment provided throughout our business. Our team values the transparency of the implemented policies and appreciates the social, environmental and ethical business practices offered by Solid Gold. Progressing forward, Solid Gold strives to continually provide clientele with an exceptional jewellery product and employees a working environment which reflects the shared values of both the Solid Gold Group and the Responsible Jewellery Council," says Mr. Peter Greene, Executive Chairman and Business Owner of Solid Gold Jewellers Pty Ltd.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 420 member companies. RJC and its Members are committed to promoting responsible ethical, human rights, social and environmental practices in a transparent and accountable manner throughout the jewellery industry from mine to retail. This commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery products. The RJC has developed the RJC Member Certification system which applies to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery supply chain. All Certified Members of the RJC are audited by accredited, third party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices. A voluntary Chain-of-Custody Standard has also been developed for gold and platinum group metals. The RJC is a <u>Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance</u> – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit <u>www.responsiblejewellery.com</u>

About Solid Gold Jewellers Pty Ltd

Based in Perth, Western Australia, Solid Gold has been trading in diamonds and jewellery since 1983. We have grown to become an Australian market leader as well as one of the most respected and well known jewellers.

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RJC Certification Information Solid Gold Jewellers Pty Ltd

RJC Certified Members

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