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RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES ACCURIST WATCHES LIMITED

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Accurist Watches Limited, the London-based watch manufacturer, has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification system.

"RJC warmly congratulates Accurist Watches Limited on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Peter Warbrick of 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.

"Ever since Accurist was founded in 1946, we have been driven by the values of quality, reliability and honesty. These values apply not only to the products that bear our name, but also to the way we operate. Our decision to apply for membership of the Responsible Jewellery Council was based on our mutual and shared beliefs in ethical sourcing as well as the importance of open and accountable working practices. Accurist prides itself on good corporate citizenship and is delighted to become the first British watch company with RJC certification," says Andrew Loftus, Managing Director, Accurist Watches Limited.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 370 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 Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit www.responsiblejewellery.com

About Accurist Watches Limited

Accurist is a British watch company that was first established in London, 1946. In the more than 60 years since the company's inception, Accurist has achieved numerous industry firsts, awards and distinctions in product, marketing and service. More information on http://www.accurist.co.uk

RJC Certification Information – Accurist Watches Limited

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