



## NEWS RELEASE

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### RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES HORIZON DIAMONDS BVBA

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Horizon Diamonds BVBA has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification System.

"RJC is delighted to congratulate Horizon Diamonds BVBA on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Ann Van Vlaenderen from WF&Co, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification System," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"We are sure the RJC certification process will help our industry to achieve short and long term success in its ethical goals and moral responsibilities. This, in turn, adds value for every stakeholder who is part of the system", says Kshitij Shah, Director of Horizon Diamonds BVBA.

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#### About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 350 member companies 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. Their commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum group metals jewellery products. The Council has developed the RJC Member Certification System, a certification system, which will apply to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum group metals jewellery supply chain. All Commercial Members of the RJC are required to be audited by accredited, third-party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices and become certified under the RJC Member Certification System. A full list of its Members can be found on the web at [www.responsiblejewellery.com](http://www.responsiblejewellery.com)

#### About Horizon Diamonds BVBA

Horizon Diamonds BVBA is a company based in Antwerp, Belgium. The company was established in 1977. We are mainly a rough and polished diamond trading company. We are a spot & term market customer of BHP Billiton.

#### [RJC Certification Information – Horizon Diamonds BVBA](#)

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