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RJC CERTIFIES BMC SRL.

LONDON - RJC announced today that BMC Srl. has achieved Certification against the new 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its Jewellery production facility in Alessandria, Italy. The new 2013 COP was released in November 2013.

"It is a pleasure to announce BMC Srl. has been certified against the 2013 COP. The new provisions under the 2013 COP address important issues for our Members and their supply chain. We are thrilled to see Members achieving these early Certifications against the new standard and warmly congratulate BMC Srl." says Ashish Deo, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

The successful verification assessment was led by Simone Olmo from Bureau Veritas Italia, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"We believe that working in an accountable and transparent way could demonstrate seriousness, competency and quality, and represent a guaranty for the customers and a security for the B.M.C. Company itself." Carlo Massavelli, BMC Srl.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 500 Member companies that span the jewellery supply chain from mine to retail. RJC Members commit to and are independently audited against the RJC Code of Practices – an international standard on responsible business practices for diamonds, gold and platinum group metals. The Code of Practices addresses human rights, labour rights, environmental impact, mining practices, product disclosure and many more important topics in the jewellery supply chain. RJC also works with multi-stakeholder initiatives on responsible sourcing and supply chain due diligence. The RJC's Chain-of-Custody Certification for precious metals supports these initiatives and can be used as a tool to deliver broader Member and stakeholder benefit.

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 BMC Srl.

BMC Srl. was established in Valenza in 2001 thanks to the cooperation between Carlo and Maurizio. BMC now employs a young, motivated and involved team of 85 people who are willing to put into BMC its projects, professional and personal

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ideas. The supplying of specialised services and the constant technological research have led to the creation of a network of external suppliers companies as a support to the operative functions for the achieving of the must target of the company: Quality, Flexibility and Value Creation.

RJC Certification Information – BMC Srl.

RJC Certified Members