

NEWS RELEASE

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PRODUITS ARTISTIQUES MÉTAUX (PAMP) SA BECOMES 22ND MEMBER TO ACHIEVE RJC CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY CERTIFICATION

LONDON - RJC today announced that Produits Artistiques Métaux Précieux (PAMP) SA has achieved Certification against the new RJC Chain-of-Custody (CoC) Standard.

"RJC is delighted to congratulate PAMP SA on achieving CoC Certification on 3 March 2015. CoC Certification provides a mechanism for refiners to demonstrate how they are implementing the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Operations Officer.

PAMP SA's CoC Certification results from a successful verification assessment conducted by Pascal Denoize from UL Responsible Sourcing, an international auditing company accredited by the RJC.

"We are very proud to add both the COP and CoC certifications from the RJC to the rest of our accreditations in the precious metal markets. Guaranteeing the integrity and sustainability of our supply chain is a major commitment for our company. PAMP is constantly striving to set the highest industry standards for Responsible Sourcing with particular emphasis in the areas of ethics, human rights and the environment. Corporate social responsibility, transparency and quality have always provided the cornerstones of our management philosophy, as we strongly believe that leading by example and operating responsibly are the only viable approaches for the long term prosperity of ourselves, all our stakeholders and the industry at large." said Mehdi Barkhordar, Managing Director, PAMP SA.

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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.

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About PAMP SA

PAMP SA is the world's leading bullion brand, with dominant positions in the world's major precious metals markets. Established in 1977 and based in Castel San Pietro (Ticino), Switzerland, PAMP operates a state-of-the-art precious metals refinery and fabrication facility. Its physical production and logistics capabilities include a complete range of precious metals bars (Gold, Silver and Platinum Group Metals – PGM), semi-finished precious metals products for the watch and jewelry industries, customized precious metal coins, blanks and bullion bars, and the development and production of proprietary, syndicated and customized commemorative coin and medal programs.

As a part of MKS PAMP Group, and with more than 200 employees, the company counts fourteen offices in eleven countries spanning five continents. PAMP is committed to ensuring excellence through the use of innovative technologies and procedures, the reliability of its products and services, and the sustainability of all its operations industry-wide. PAMP's assay laboratory is one of only three in the world to be recognized by both the LBMA (London Bullion Market Association) and the LPPM (London Platinum and Palladium Market) as a Good Delivery Referee. For more information please visit www.pamp.com

RJC Certification Information Company Name – PAMP SA

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