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RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES ORLINE

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

"RJC warmly congratulates ORLINE on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Camille Querleu 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.

"We are very happy and proud to belong to RJC's membership and thank our staff and all partners for their support. This recognition validates our commitment to advancing responsible ethical, social and environmental practices in the jewellery supply chain. Orline's holding of the label "Joaillerie de France" and the certification "Entreprise du Patrimoine Vivant" has allowed us to demonstrate our strong values for 30 years," says Patrick Lambert, Director of Orline.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 440 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 ORLINE

Founded in 1983 by its current president, Maurice Lambert, the SAS Orline is recognized and appreciated for its highly technical competences in the jewellery manufactory and semi products finished for the High Jewellery. Member of the French Union of the jewellery, Orline invested much in the transmission of its know-how near the young people. More information at: www.orline.fr or Patrick Lambert, Director, Telephone +33 (0) 475 592 415 patrick.lambert@orline.fr

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