

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **RJC CERTIFIES STS SAULCY TRAITEMENT DE SURFACE SA**

LONDON - RJC announced today that STS Saulcy Traitement de Surface SA has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its jewellery manufacturing facilities in Switzerland. The 2013 COP was released in November 2013.

"It is a pleasure to announce STS Saulcy Traitement de Surface SA 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 Certification against the standard and warmly congratulate STS Saulcy Traitement de Surface SA," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

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

"We are very pleased to be RJC certified and very proud to be the first galvanoplasty company to be part of the RJC community. This RJC Certification reflects the strategic importance of ethical, social and environmental values in the management of our company," said Frederic Saulcy, CEO at STS Saulcy Traitement de Surface 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 600 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>

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#### About STS Saulcy Traitement de Surface SA

In the heart of la Vallée de Joux in Switzerland, Frederic Saulcy and Thierry Mesnier founded STS in 2006. Based on their 20 year-experience in the watch-making industry, they created a successful company specialized in metal plating activities. The core activities encompass electroplating, varnish, sand plasting, thermic treatment, polishing.

With more than 80 employees working on two sites, STS offers its know-how for a large panel of world-renowned clients in the luxury watch-making industry. <u>http://www.sts-galvano.ch/</u>

RJC Certification Information – STS Saulcy Traitement de Surface SA

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