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RJC CERTIFIES ZECCHIN ALBERTO S.R.L

LONDON - RJC announced today that Zecchin Alberto S.r.l has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its manufacturing facility in Valenza, Italy.

"It is a pleasure to announce Zecchin Alberto S.r.I 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 delighted to see members achieving certification against the standard and warmly congratulate Zecchin Alberto S.r.I," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

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

"We are very proud and honored to be a part of the RJC community and to have achieved RJC certification. This certification confirms our everyday commitment in supporting ethical and responsible principles, human rights and good environmental practices within our business and in the relationships with our customers, partners, and, finally; the entire jewellery industry," says Alberto Zecchin founder and CEO of Zecchin Alberto S.r.l.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 900 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 Zecchin Alberto S.r.l

Zecchin Alberto S.r.l. was founded at the end of the nineties by the owner Mr. Alberto Zecchin, setter of precious stones and renowned engraver for over 30 years. In just a few years, the company has become partner and supplier of many large

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global brands. Every day, under Alberto's guidance, an expert team of goldsmiths and stone setters creates jewellery and watches for the finest international labels skilfuly combining craftmanship with new technologies. For further information please visit our website: http://www.zecchinalberto.it/

RJC Certification Information - Zecchin Alberto S.r.l

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