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DOUBLE CERTIFICATION ON COP 2013 AND COC FOR METAL CONCENTRATORS PROPRIETARY LIMITED

LONDON – The RJC today announced that Metal Concentrators Proprietary Limited has achieved double Certification against the new 2013 Code of Practices (COP) and the RJC Chain-of-Custody (CoC) Standard for its Pretoria and Cape Town precious metals trading and refining facilities in South Africa.

“It is a pleasure to announce Metal Concentrators Proprietary Limited on its double Certification against the new COP 2013 and the CoC Standard – a first for RJC. RJC warmly congratulates the company on its achievement. Metal Concentrators Proprietary Limited's COP 2013 and CoC Certification result from a successful verification assessment conducted by Thembanani M. Ncube from Bureau Veritas, an international third-party auditing company accredited by the RJC,” says Catherine Sproule, RJC’s Chief Executive Officer - Interim.

“Since the incorporation of Metal Concentrators in 1989, Bernard and Hilary Stern (co-founders and directors) have strived to instill strong values regarding precious metal trading and integrity within the industry. The newly adopted policies, procedures and guidelines by the group in accordance with the RJC is a step in the right direction to give further assurance of our commitment to responsible gold trading as well as compliance with all relevant legislation to our customers, suppliers and the public. As the second refinery in South Africa and within the first 10 Companies internationally to receive certification for both Chain of Custody and Code of Practices (2013), we are excited for all future endeavours. We hope that our certifications will lead more companies within the industry, locally and internationally, to follow suit and do their part in trying to ensure responsible gold trading across the board,” says Gregory Magid, Compliance Officer and accountant of the Metal Concentrators Group.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 460 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

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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 [Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance](#) – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit www.responsiblejewellery.com

About Metal Concentrators Proprietary Limited

Metal Concentrators was incorporated in 1989 by Bernard and Hilary Stern (a small family business). The main emphasis was servicing the South African Jewellery Industry. The company is highly regarded as an efficient refiner and source of technical support to the local jewellery industry. Over the past 25 years Metal Concentrators and/or their directors have been instrumental in implementing and/or assisting with many benchmarks in South Africa, including but not limited to, Plat Africa Platinum Jewellery Design Competition (which has been the premier jewellery design competition in South Africa for more than 12 years), platinum training/seminars for jewellers within South Africa with over 800 attendees, sitting on the board of local industry associations, and now showing commitment to responsible gold trading (chain of custody) and compliance with legislation applicable to the companies (code of practices) by becoming the first South African company to receive the double RJC Certification.

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