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RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES AUROUET DE MERVELEC S.A.S.

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Aurouet de Mervelec S.A.S., the French 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 Aurouet de Mervelec S.A.S. on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Marguerite Whitwham from SGS, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Executive Officer - Interim.

"Jewellery is more than a "business" category. Very close to art, it is associated with precious and rare materials, and involves quality and distinctive know-how. Beyond the client satisfaction as permanent objective, Aurouet de Mervelec, pays constant attention to preserve these values by maintaining human and ethical practices towards its team and different commercial partners and encouraging improvements on environmental issues. The RJC Certification gives us the opportunity to reassert these convictions, which we value, and allows us to be part of the future," says Antony Aurouet, CEO of Aurouet de Mervelec S.A.S.

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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 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 Aurouet de Mervelec S.A.S.
Aurouet de Mervelec, a family business created in the 1950s, has built up a solid and regular client portfolio including the famed Vendôme establishments in Paris. Its production center Techniluxe is situated in Franche-Comté, an area famed for

its skilled workforce in micro-technical and precision mechanic. The factory combines different types of crafts, from jewellery art to manufactured products, including machining, stamping, assembling, welding and polishing and offers a real «Made in France» know-how. More information at: www.arouetdemervelec.com.

RJC Certification Information Aurouet de Mervelec S.A.S.

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