

## NEWS RELEASE

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### HISTORIC ORIGINALS LIMITED – RE-CERTIFIED BY THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that the United Kingdom - based jewellery manufacturer, Historic Originals Limited, has achieved re-certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification System.

"RJC congratulates Historic Originals Limited on achieving re-certification. After a Member has become RJC Certified for the first time, independent verification is required at the end of each certification period to ensure continued conformance and to maintain Certified Member status. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Peter Warbrick 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.

"Historic Originals Limited (Hot Diamonds Group) is proud to have achieved the full 3 year certification set out by the RJC and is fully committed to the principles set out by the RJC a worldwide recognized organisation. This achievement validates and strengthens our commitment towards our continued efforts in operating to the highest social, ethical and environmental standards," says Raymond D'Sa Head of Logistics, Historic Originals Limited.

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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](http://www.responsiblejewellery.com)

#### Historic Originals Limited

Historic Originals has been certified by the RJC and is trading as Hot Diamonds.

In February 2001, Hot Diamonds, a groundbreaking collection of sterling silver and diamond jewellery launched into the UK market. It was an overnight success, and rapidly established itself as one of the UK's most desired jewellery brands.

In 2002, Hot Diamonds ventured into the global arena and since then its international business has grown exponentially with additional sales from airline and duty free channels. Hot Diamonds currently has sales in over 30 countries worldwide through an established network of distributors, retail partners and prestigious airlines. Hot Diamonds is also available throughout the UK in major department stores such as Debenhams and John Lewis and major high street jewellers such as H Samuel and Ernest Jones. In 2008 Hot Diamonds launched [www.hotdiamonds.co.uk](http://www.hotdiamonds.co.uk)

#### [RJC Certification Information Historic Originals Limited](#)

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