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REPUBLIC METALS CORPORATION ACHIEVES RJC CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY CERTIFICATION

LONDON - RJC today announced that Republic Metals Corporation (RMC), a refining facility based in Miami, USA has achieved Certification against the RJC Chain-of-Custody (CoC) Standard.

“RJC is delighted to congratulate RMC on becoming the 19th member to achieve CoC Certification. CoC Certification provides a mechanism for refiners to demonstrate how they are implementing the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains,” says Ashish Deo, RJC’s Chief Executive Officer.

RMC’s CoC Certification results from a successful verification assessment conducted by Sheer Garcia from UL Responsible Sourcing, an international auditing company accredited by the RJC.

“RMC is very proud to hold both of the prestigious RJC certifications. First becoming a Certified Member in July 2014, and now attaining the CoC Certification. By successfully satisfying the stringent RJC audit requirements for refineries and achieving the RJC CoC Certification, Republic Metals will also be recognized as a conflict-free refiner by the EICC, accepted by LBMA as being in conformance with the LBMA Responsible Gold Guidance and be accepted by the DMCC as being in conformance with the DMCC Practical Guidance and Review Protocol.” says Rich Lani, Director of Compliance for Republic Metals Corporation.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 500 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

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About Republic Metals Corporation

Headquartered in Miami, Florida, Republic Metals, was established in 1980 and has since grown to become one of the largest primary precious metals refineries in the world. Republic Metals, an ISO9001 :2008 registered company, holds listings on the London Bullion Market Association (LBMA), the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME group), and the Shanghai Gold Exchange (SGE) with recognitions from the Responsible Jewellery Council, Conflict Free Smelter Initiative, and Ethical Alliance. All business conducted by Republic Metals is done so in a sustainable manner with strict adherence to the US Patriot Act, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, and its rigorous supply chain management policies.

In 1998 Republic Metals became the first precious metals refinery in the US to receive ISO14001 registration. To this day, the company maintains its ISO14001 registration through the development and use of proprietary green refining technology, and a strong commitment to maintaining environmentally friendly operations. Republic Metals' 150,000 square foot refinery has an annual refining capacity of greater than 1,200 tons of gold and 3000 tons of silver. For more information about Republic Metals Corporation visit www.republicmetalscorp.com

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