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RADHA KRISHNA DIAMOND JOINS FIRST WAVE OF COP 2013 CERTIFICATIONS

LONDON - RJC announced today that Radha Krishna Diamond is the third Member to achieve Certification against the new 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its diamond trading facility in Surat, India. The new 2013 COP was released in November 2013.

"It is a pleasure to announce Radha Krishna Diamond as the third Member to be certified against the 2013 COP. The new provisions under the 2013 COP address important issues for our Members and their supply chain. We are thrilled to see Members achieving these early Certifications against the new standard and warmly congratulate Radha Krishna Diamond. The successful verification assessment was led by Gibson Lemos from Bureau Veritas Italia, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC," says Catherine Sproule, RJC's Chief Executive Officer - Interim.

"At Radha Krishna Diamond we pay homage to the world's most alluring stone ever, everyday. Our business runs on trust which is part of our heritage and strength. This credo has made us one of the most sought-after diamond manufacturing companies. The RJC Certification confirms our engagement as we meet the highest ethical, human rights, social and environmental standards established by the RJC. Achieving Certification is our promise to the industry that we will always adhere to the highest standards in our business at every level," says Vipul Tejani, Partner, Radha Krishna Diamond.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 470 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 Radha Krishna Diamond

Radha Krishna Diamond is a partnership firm established in 2011 in Surat, Gujrat. It is a family owned business with 5 partners. The company's manufacturing factory specialises in cutting and polishing work for their principal company Interjewel Private Limited, which is a Rio Tinto Select Diamantaire.

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The firm's activity involves polishing various sizes of diamonds through their extensive experience and skill. The size manufactured ranges from 0.01 to 0.50 cents. With a workforce of over 750 employees, Radha Krishna Diamond has created employment opportunities for the local community in the area and is one of the state of the art manufacturing factories in Surat.

RJC Certification Information - Radha Krishna Diamond

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