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## **RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES INTERJEWEL USA INC.**

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Interjewel USA Inc., the New York-based diamond studded jewellery manufacturer, has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification System.

"RJC is delighted to congratulate Interjewel USA Inc. on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by UL Responsible Sourcing (STRRS), one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification System," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"At Interjewel we pay homage to the world's most alluring stone ever, everyday. Our business runs on trust which is a part of our heritage and is our strength. This credo has made us one of the most sought after diamond companies in the world. The RJC certification for us means a successful step ahead in the endeavour to meet the highest standards of ethical, human rights, social and environmental standards established by the RJC Member Certification System. The certification is our promise to the industry and our clients that we will always adhere to the highest standards in our business at every level," says Sanjay Kothari, President Interjewel USA Inc.

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### About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 350 member companies committed to promoting responsible ethical, human rights, social and environmental practices in a transparent and accountable manner throughout the jewellery industry from mine to retail. Their commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum group metals jewellery products. The Council has developed the RJC Member Certification System, a certification system, which will apply to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum group metals jewellery supply chain. All Commercial Members of the RJC are required to be audited by accredited, third-party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices and become certified under the RJC Member Certification System. A full list of its Members can be found on the web at www.responsiblejewellery.com

#### About Interjewel USA Inc.

Established in 1989, Interjewel USA Inc is a subsidiary of the Interjewel Group (established in 1970). Interjewel USA Inc. has been certified by the Responsible Jewellery Council.

#### www.responsiblejewellery.com

The Responsible Jewellery Council is the trading name of the Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd. The Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd, First Floor, Dudley House, 34-38 Southampton Street, London, UK, WC2E 7HF. The Council for Responsible Jewellery Practices Ltd is registered in England and Wales with company number 05449042. Based in New York, Interjewel USA Inc. deals in Diamond Studded Jewelry. The company is part of every stage of the entire value chain, from rough sourcing to jewelry sales marketing, making it a preferred partner of choice in the industry. The Interjewel Group has a global network of offices in all major diamond trading centers of the world, offering customized services to a diverse customer base internationally. More information on <u>www.interjewel.net</u>

**RJC Certification Information – Interjewel USA Inc.** 

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