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# RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES US JACK REISS LLC

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Jack Reiss LLC, the New York-based diamond manufacturer, has achieved certification by meeting the highest ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification system.

"RJC warmly congratulates Jack Reiss LLC on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Karthik Mallakunta Surendhra from SGS, one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"Receiving RJC certification is an honour and a responsibility that we at Jack Reiss LLC are very proud to have achieved. Our principal values correspond to RJC's objectives to promote responsible and ethical, corporate citizens. I believe that achieving this milestone will complement our status as a responsible voice in the diamond industry," says Jack Reiss, President of Jack Reiss LLC.

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## **About RJC**

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together more than 370 member companies. RJC and its Members are 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. This commitment aims to reinforce consumer and stakeholder confidence in diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery products. The RJC has developed the RJC Member Certification system which applies to all Members' businesses that contribute to the diamond, gold and platinum metals jewellery supply chain. All Certified Members of the RJC are audited by accredited, third party auditors to verify their conformance with the RJC's Code of Practices. A voluntary Chain-of-Custody Standard has also been developed for gold and platinum group metals. 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 <a href="https://www.responsiblejewellery.com">www.responsiblejewellery.com</a>

## **About Jack Reiss LLC**

Jack Reiss LLC is a third generation diamond manufacturer, continuing the tradition of manufacturing in New York City, and specializing in the antique look cushion cuts, and old European round, in addition to all other fancy shape and round diamonds. Jack Reiss operates a diamond cutting facility in New York City, (one of the few such businesses remaining in the United States). Maintaining a factory at full capacity, of highly skilled diamond craftsmen, has allowed Jack Reiss to extend the offering, of these highly regarded connoisseur diamonds cuts, to a global clientele, in addition to the domestic US markets. Information on the company and its offerings can be found at <a href="https://www.jackreiss.com">www.jackreiss.com</a> and its subsidiary website <a href="https://www.jackreiss.com">www.jackreiss.com</a> and its subsidiary website

## **RJC Certification Information – Jack Reiss LLC**

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