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RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL CERTIFIES MARJAN DIAMONDS NV

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Marjan Diamonds NV, the Antwerpbased 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 Marjan Diamonds NV on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Ann Van Vlaenderen from WF&Co., one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited to the RJC's Member Certification system," says Michael Rae, RJC's Chief Executive Officer.

"Marjan Diamonds NV is a diamond company of high ethics and strong values, with over 50 years of family history in the diamond trade. The decision from RJC to grant Marjan Diamonds NV certification only reinforces the beliefs the company has stood by: being a transparent and socially responsible company, operating ethical business practices, and committing to the highest standards of professional conduct," says Paul Karim, Sales Manager, Marjan Diamonds NV.

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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 <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 Marjan Diamonds NV

Marjan Diamonds NV, thanks to its many years of experience and research in the diamond trade, has the knowledge to build customer loyalty and deliver a great product. The strengths behind this success are the company's ability to deliver the right diamonds to the ideal customer through the right channels. Our key mission is to develop strong partnerships with our core customers in order to grow into new markets and, at the same time, commit to corporate social responsibility. Following in the footsteps of its founders, the Company's identity rests upon its commitment to transparency, high standards of ethics, and customer loyalty. More information on http://www.marjandiamonds.com/

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