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VACHERON CONSTANTIN CERTIFIED BY THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that Vacheron Constantin, the world's oldest watchmaker with uninterrupted activity and part of Richemont International SA, 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 Vacheron Constantin on its certification. The successful verification assessment was conducted by Michel Moser 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.

"Ever since September 17th 1755, when Jean-Marc Vacheron hired his first apprentice, at Vacheron Constantin we have been driven by our strong values. Our objective is to transmit these values as well as our skills to future generations. Today the RJC certification confirms that our convictions are in line with those of the RJC and acknowledges one of our main values: the aspiration to be a good corporate citizen - socially aware, responsible and open to the world", says Juan-Carlos Torres, CEO of Vacheron Constantin.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit organisation bringing together 360 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 Vacheron Constantin

Founded in 1755 in Geneva, Vacheron Constantin is the oldest watch manufacture in the world, with continuous activity for over 255 years. Having laid the foundation for the technical and prestigious spirit of Haute Horlogerie at the heart of Geneva, men and women of Vacheron Constantin continue to design, develop and produce exceptional timepieces faithful to the three fundamental requirements: technical mastery, harmonious and inspired aesthetics and exceptional finishing.

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Profoundly attached to the heritage of its founders, still today, the Manufacture's identity rests upon its values, and defends them with passion and conviction. A socially aware company that is open to the world, Vacheron Constantin constantly seeks excellence and supports creativity while respecting and passing on its traditions.

More information on www.vacheron-constantin.com

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