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RJC CERTIFIES L'ATELIER VENDOME

LONDON - RJC announced today that L'Atelier Vendome has achieved Certification against the 2013 Code of Practices (COP) at its manufacturing facility in Paris, France.

"It is a pleasure to announce L'Atelier Vendome has been certified against the 2013 COP. The provisions under the 2013 COP address important issues for our Members and their supply chain. We are delighted to see Members achieving Certification against the standard and warmly congratulate L'Atelier Vendome," says Andrew Bone, RJC's Executive Director.

The successful verification assessment was led by Christophe Schmeitzky from Ernst & Young et Associes (France), one of the independent third-party auditing firms accredited by the RJC.

"All of us at L'Atelier Vendôme are very proud to be RJC certified. This has been a great way for us to improve our internal practices and has given the team the knowledge and power to think in a responsible way. This RJC Certification is an opportunity for us to continue to better serve our clients and their customers," says Eric Santenac, President at L'Atelier Vendome.

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About RJC

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 700 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 L'Atelier Vendome

Frédéric Prybilski and Eric Santenac created L'Atelier Vendôme in late 2011, after having been respectively head of a Place Vendôme Premium Maison workshop, and Vice President in charge of Production and Development. L'Atelier Vendôme is a sub-contractor/producer for Jewelry Houses. Our goal is to provide our clients with our highly skilled savoir-faire, mainly

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targeting unique pieces, mock-ups, and small series. We are proactive, technically creative and we understand how to match and respect the inner aesthetic/style of each brand. We understand perfectly the constraints and requirements of High Luxury Maisons since altogether we have been working for them for more than 40 years.

L'Atelier employs today 6 people, including 4 jewelers at the bench and 1 CAD engineer. For more information, please visit: www.lateliervendome.com

RJC Certification Information – L'Atelier Vendome

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