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Rio Tinto Diamonds NV

IS A CERTIFIED MEMBER OF THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

NUMBER: 0000 5448 DURATION: 3 Year

PERIOD: 20 June 2024 - 20 June 2027 STANDARD: Code of Practices 2019

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CERTIFICATION OVERVIEW

MEMBERSHIP FORUM	Diamonds and Coloured Gemstones Trader, Cutter and/or Polisher	
AUDIT DATE	16 April 2024	
AUDIT TYPE	Re-certification	
APPLICABLE STANDARD	Code of Practices 2019	
ACCREDITED AUDIT FIRM	RCS Global Ltd	
APPLICABLE PROVISIONS	 General requirements: 1-4, except 3.2 Responsible supply chains, human rights and due diligence: 5-14, except 7.1a, 7.3, 8, 9, 11.3, 13.3-4 Labour rights and working conditions: 15-22, except 19.3, 21.3 Health, Safety and Environment: 23-27, except 23.10, 27.4 Gold, Silver, PGM, diamond and coloured gemstone products: 28-30, except 28.2a-g, i-j, 30 Responsible mining: Not applicable 	

PROVENANCE CLAIMS

Rio Tinto Diamonds NV maintains strict separation between the rough diamond production from its own Rio Tinto mine (Diavik) and the rough diamond production they trade coming from the Murowa mine in Zimbabwe. This separation allows them to trace the diamonds from each individual mine all the way up to the point of delivery to the customer.

From January 2005, each Argyle Pink Diamond™ over a particular size was laser inscribed with a unique lot number (visible only under magnification) and issued with an Argyle Pink Diamonds™ Gem Identification and Authenticity Document. A mark of authenticity, the inscription and accompanying documentation delivers an important assurance on the chain of custody from the mine to the point of purchase, that the gem has always been in the care of Argyle Pink Diamonds™ and its trusted trade partners.

Starting January 2024, Argyle Diamonds Limited (ADL) has initiated a program in collaboration with the esteemed independent laboratory, Gemlab (Belgium) BV (GGTL). GGTL utilizes contemporary scientific knowledge and proprietary techniques to conduct an analysis process aimed at identifying pink, red, blue, or violet diamonds that exhibit characteristics akin to those found in diamonds from the Argyle Diamond Mine.

Upon conducting such analysis and establishing a reasonable degree of confidence regarding the similarity of characteristics, ADL will proceed to inscribe these diamonds with a unique lot number, visible only under magnification. Additionally, each diamond meeting the criteria will be accompanied by an Argyle Pink Diamonds™ Gem Analysis Report issued by GGTL. Furthermore, to enhance transparency and verification, each diamond will be searchable via the Diamond Check tool.

AUDITOR STATEMENT OF CONFORMANCE

Based on the scope and findings of the certification audit, the member has demonstrated a conformance level consistent with a:

3 Year Certification

NEXT AUDIT TYPE

MID-TERM REVIEW (within 12-24 months):

\bigcirc	A. Mid-term review NOT required due to:
	No anticipated changes to the certification scope during the certification period
\bigcirc	3 or less minor non-conformances with critical provisions or in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member
	<25 full time equivalent personnel
	Low risk of non-conformances due to management controls
	Existence of parallel audits for schemes recognised by RJC
\bigcirc	Strong internal controls ensuring effective review and closure of corrective actions for non-conformances

No impact on conformance levels from any changes to the certification scope
5 or less minor non-conformances with critical provisions or in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member
Possibility of remote verification of actions
No risk to critical provisions

C. Mid-term review (with a site visit) required due to:
Known and anticipated changes to the certification scope during the certification period
Member no longer supporting external standards and initiatives recognised by RJC
6 or more minor non-conformances with critical provisions or in general identified by the audit (not covered by parallel audits for schemes identified as equivalent to RJC's) for an individual member in the mining sector or a non-mining sector member
New systems and controls for critical provisions that could not be tested at the certification audit
Need to test new systems and controls ensuring respect for critical provisions
Facilities with risk of non-conformances with critical provisions
Other reasons presented by the lead auditor necessitating an onsite verification

CERTIFICATION SCOPE

Business name of entity/facility
Rio Tinto Diamonds NV

<u>Location (City and Country)</u> Antwerp, Belgium <u>Business Activity</u>
Sorting, Sales & marketing of rough diamonds, including pink diamonds, and trading of rough diamonds.

ABOUT THIS CERTIFICATION

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