



PRESS NOTICE

Johnson Matthey Canada added to the LBMA's Good Delivery List for Silver

The LBMA announces that, with effect from 18th December, 2001, Johnson Matthey Limited of Canada has been added to its Good Delivery List for silver.

The company's refinery has met the LBMA's quantitative criteria of minimum production level (30 tonnes p.a. of silver) and tangible net worth (at least £10 million equivalent). It has also passed the LBMA's exhaustive testing procedures, under which its silver bars were examined and assayed by independent referees and its own assaying capability has been tested.

The Company's refinery is located in Brampton, Ontario. The Company has been active in Canada since 1930 and its present plant in Brampton was commissioned in 1976 and then expanded substantially in 1990 to accommodate the precious metal product business.

Background

The London Good Delivery List of Acceptable Refiners of gold and silver is produced and monitored by the LBMA, by whom it is copyrighted. It lists those refineries whose gold and silver bars have been found to meet the required standard for acceptability in the London bullion market when originally tested.

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