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Voith's ceramic coating convinces Sappi Echingen

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Since 2008, Sappi Fine Paper Europe has been using the Voith ceramic coating TerraSpeed on its PM 6 in Echingen. On the top roll of the fourth press, TerraSpeed has been in use for five years. Sappi Echingen is now giving a very positive feedback: TerraSpeed shows excellent properties in terms of roughness and sheet release and allows low tension settings. All these parameters have not changed since the start-up in November 2008, and roll grinding has not been necessary so far.

Previously, rolls with thermal coatings, however, had to be removed and ground after 15–18 months of operation. Due to the extremely long service life and continuous performance of TerraSpeed, the operating costs have been decreased considerably for Sappi Echingen: The costs for roll removal and grinding have been saved three times so far. At the same time, the TerraSpeed upgrading costs are not higher than those of previous coatings.

Sappi Fine Paper Europe is the leading producer of high-quality fine papers in Europe. The Sappi mill in Echingen is situated in the South of Germany and comprises both pulp and paper mill. The PM 6 in Echingen produces 260,000 t annually of coated woodfree papers in a basis weight range of 70–200g/m².

Further information is available on the Voith website at www.voith.com/paper. Voith Paper is also on [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

Voith Paper is a division of the Voith Group and the leading partner to and pioneer in the paper industry. Through constant innovations, Voith Paper is optimizing the paper manufacturing process, focusing on developing resource-saving products to reduce the use of energy, water, and fibers.

Furthermore, Voith Paper offers a broad service portfolio for all sections of the paper manufacturing process.

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