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Voith receives order to supply a complete board production line to Asia Symbol (Jiangsu) in China

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- As a full-line supplier, Voith is supplying the entire production line.
- The high-performance BM 13 in Rugao will have an annual production capacity of up to 1,000,000 tons of folding boxboard.
- Voith's performance and technology leadership, as well as the successful cooperation, were decisive factors in the awarding of the contract.

HEIDENHEIM/RUGAO. Voith has received another order to build and supply a complete paper production line. The pulp and paper manufacturer Asia Symbol commissioned Voith to supply the BM 13 board machine for the Rugao site, located 180 km north-west of Shanghai, China. The efficient, state-of-the-art production line will achieve an annual production volume of up to 1,000,000 tons of high-quality coated folding boxboard in the basis weight range 170 - 400 g/m². The planned design speed is 1,400 m/min. Start-up of the new high-speed line is scheduled for mid-2023.

Asia Symbol is very pleased to be able to further successfully expand its market position in China with this new production line. "We are absolutely delighted that Asia Symbol has underscored our long-standing and very trusting cooperation with this major order," adds Joachim Huber, Sales Manager at Voith Paper. "With the BM 13 in Rugao, we will supply a highly efficient system as a full-line supplier that enables optimized and resource-saving production of folding boxboard. The order is complemented by the latest automation technologies."

Designed as one of the most efficient board machines in the world, the order covers the entire paper production process from BlueLine stock preparation, the wet end process, including water-saving FlowJec chemical dosing technology, to the XcelLine paper machine and two VariFlex Performance winders with a fully automated Flying Splice reel change. The sustainability and efficiency of the production line are also ensured by a resource-saving TripleNipcoFlex press, EcoHood dryer section hood, ropeless threading system in the dryer section and contactless qDry Pro coating colour drying

including HelioX high performance infrared emitters. In addition, the scope of supply includes basic engineering as well as erection and commissioning supervision of the line.

Furthermore, Voith will supply a comprehensive fabrics package and a wide range of automation solutions, including OnControl MCS, DCS, Drive Control, OnQuality MD/CD Control, and OnCare Health. In addition, Voith experts will conduct new virtual reality training with the customer.

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About Asia Symbol

Asia Symbol is a world leading producer of pulp and paper under the RGE Group. Its main products are BHKP, NBKP, DP, liquid packaging board, high grade ivory board and uncoated wood-free printing and office paper. The products are sold at home and abroad. Asia Symbol is committed to sustainable development and the exploration of long-term renewable resources for paper production to facilitate regional economic development and the welfare of the local community. The company's principle is to operate in a manner that creates value for the community, the country, the climate, the customer and the company.

About the Voith Group

The Voith Group is a global technology company. With its broad portfolio of systems, products, services and digital applications, Voith sets standards in the markets of energy, oil & gas, paper, raw materials and transport & automotive. Founded in 1867, the company today has more than 20,000 employees, sales of € 4.2 billion and locations in over 60 countries worldwide and is thus one of the larger family-owned companies in Europe.

The Group Division Voith Paper is part of the Voith Group. As the full-line supplier to the paper industry, it provides the largest range of technologies, services and products on the market and offers paper manufacturers holistic solutions from a single source. The company's continuous stream of innovations facilitates resource-conserving production and helps customers minimize their carbon footprint. With its leading automation products and digitalization solutions from the Papermaking 4.0 portfolio, Voith offers its customers state-of-the-art digital technologies to improve plant availability and efficiency for all sections of the production process.

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