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SCA chooses Voith solution to reduce energy consumption

Voith has concluded the sale of a NipcoFlex T shoe press to SCA, one of the world's largest tissue paper manufacturers. The new shoe press will be installed in the PM 3, located in SCAs plant in San Nicolás de los Garza, Mexico, and will allow the machine to achieve average energy savings of 3%, including steam, electricity and gas. The start-up is expected to be carried out in April 2014.

The company's PM 3 had already been operating with the equipment's first generation, the TissueFlex press, since 2001. This upgrade will now offer greater operational flexibility, including the "Tilt" adjustment. Also, due to its simplified construction, maintenance of the new press model will be quicker and less frequent.

The NipcoFlex T press adjusts itself to the natural deformations of the Yankee cylinder and in general reduces the CD moisture variation. The "Tilt" adjustment means that some grades have the possibility of higher "bulk" (specific volume) or higher dryness after press.

According to Jean Pereira, application and sales engineer from Voith Paper, the NipcoFlex T press was developed to ensure greater stability in the manufacturing process, which also translates into higher production. "The second generation of the NipcoFlex T shoe press has proved to be strategic to our business plans, and has been very well accepted by the market," points out the engineer from Voith.

SCA is a global hygiene and forest products company. The Group develops and produces sustainable personal care, tissue and forest

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products. Sales are conducted in about 100 countries under many strong brands, including the global brands TENA and Tork, and regional brands, such as Lotus, Libresse, Tempo and Libero. The Group has about 36,000 employees and sales in 2012 amounted to SEK 85bn (EUR 9.8bn). SCA was founded in 1929, has its headquarters in Stockholm, Sweden, and is listed on NASDAQ OMX Stockholm.

Further information is available on the Voith website at <u>www.voith.com/paper</u>. Voith Paper is also on <u>Twitter</u> and <u>YouTube</u>.

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.

Voith sets standards in the markets energy, oil & gas, paper, raw materials and transport & automotive. Founded in 1867, Voith employs more than 43,000 people, generates € 5.7 billion in sales, operates in about 50 countries around the world and is today one of the biggest family-owned companies in Europe.

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