

AUGUSTA NEWSPRINT COMPANY

Augusta Newsprint Company is one of AbitibiBowater's majority owned partnership mills, co-owned by the Woodbridge Company. The mill predominantly serves customers in the Southeastern U.S., and is devoted entirely to the production of newsprint on its two machines. Raw material for the mill comes from both recycled paper and virgin pine. Augusta Newsprint is known for its pressroom runnability and on-time delivery throughout the region.

The mill continues to excel as one of the company's most dependable and productive mills, with consistent high scores in customer satisfaction. This success can be primarily attributed to a centralized location, a well-managed maintenance program, and particularly, the highly-skilled, motivated workforce and dedicated management team.



SUPPORTING SUSTAINABILITY

The mill:

- Generates nearly zero greenhouse gas emissions
- Utilizes over 500 tons per day of recovered paper to produce recycled newsprint
- Derives all of the high value filler materials used in the papermaking process by converting solid waste recovered from mill effluent streams into calcined clay (the only mill currently utilizing this technology)
- Produces highly efficient wood pulp for use in the papermaking process
- Subscribes to SFI certification for all wood harvested and used by the mill
- Generates steam required for the manufacturing process internally from process waste and purchased biomass and is considered carbon neutral
- Achieved ISO 14001 certification
- Donates proceeds generated from the employee recycling program to charitable organizations



AUGUSTA NEWSPRINT COMPANY OVERVIEW



Contact information	Post Office Box 1647 2434 Doug Barnard Parkway Augusta, GA 30903-1647 T 706 798-3440 Jay Backus, General Manager
330 employees	Augusta Newsprint employs 330 employees, both salaried and hourly. Many hourly employees are represented by the United Steel Workers Union.
760 indirect employees	The mill indirectly impacts the jobs of an estimated 760 employees working for companies that support the mill's operations with materials and/or services.
\$36.5 million in payroll and benefits	Augusta Newsprint's \$36.5 million in salaries, wages and benefits makes the facility one of Richmond County's key employers (payroll).
\$91,000 average annual salary	Average annual salary per employee at the mill – excluding benefits – equals \$91,000 per year. The average hourly employee earns approximately \$26 per hour plus benefits.
\$95 million in raw materials and services	Over \$95 million is spent by Augusta Newsprint annually to purchase raw materials and services.
\$45 million in energy	Augusta Newsprint spends approximately \$45 million annually to purchase energy from Georgia Power.
\$6 million in taxes	\$6 million is paid by the mill in state and local property and sales taxes each year, of which \$4.5 million is related to energy.

ABOUT ABITIBIBOWATER

AbitibiBowater produces a wide range of newsprint, commercial printing and packaging papers, market pulp and wood products. It is the eighth largest publicly traded pulp and paper manufacturer in the world. AbitibiBowater owns or operates 21 pulp and paper facilities and 24 wood products facilities located in the United States, Canada and South Korea. Marketing its products in more than 90 countries, the Company is also among the world's largest recyclers of old newspapers and magazines, and has third-party certified 100% of its managed woodlands to sustainable forest management standards. AbitibiBowater's shares trade over-the-counter on the Pink Sheets and on the OTC Bulletin Board under the stock symbol ABWTQ.

To learn more about us, log onto abitibibowater.com





