Press release

**ANDRITZ to convert paper machine and supply a new   
stock preparation line for Burgo Avezzano, Italy**

**Graz, March 1, 2017.** International technology Group ANDRITZ has received an order from the Italian Burgo Group to rebuild and convert its PM2, a printing and white writing paper machine, and its approach system into a modern brown packaging paper machine at the Avezzano mill, Italy. After full conversion, the PM 2 will have an annual production capacity of over 200,000 tons, with a design speed of 1,200 m/min and a paper width at reel of 5,340 mm. The machine will produce corrugating medium and two-ply testliner with a basis weight range of 80-170 gsm for the production of containerboard. The raw material is recycled OCC and mixed waste paper. Start-up is scheduled for the end of 2017.

A new stock preparation line with a design capacity of 700 bdmt/d is also included in the delivery. The line comprises a pulping system with FiberSolve FSR pulper, cleaning, screening, fractionation, and thickening, as well as a reject handling system. The existing approach flow system will be rebuilt, and a new ShortFlow deaeration system will be installed.

ANDRITZ’s scope of supply further includes a new PrimeFlow SW headbox for the top-ply and a new PrimeForm SW top former, as well as elongation of the bottom Fourdrinier. The pre-dryer and after-dryer sections will be equipped with PrimeRun web stabilizers for the single- and double-tier dryer groups to optimize the runability of the machine. A PrimeAir Glide air turn will also be installed after the existing film press. In order to reach the maximum drying capacity needed to achieve the new production targets ten new PrimeDry Steel cylinders will be added to extend the after-dryer section.

The scope of supply also includes basic engineering, erection supervision, start-up, commissioning, and training for the entire equipment supplied by ANDRITZ.

With this conversion, the Burgo Group is entering the packaging business, which is part of the Group’s diversification strategy.

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**The ANDRITZ GROUP**

ANDRITZ is a globally leading supplier of plants, equipment, and services for hydropower stations, the pulp and paper industry, the metalworking and steel industries, and for solid/liquid separation in the municipal and industrial sectors as well as for animal feed and biomass pelleting. Other important business segments include automation and service business. In addition, the international Group is also active in the power generating sector (steam boiler plants, biomass boilers, recovery boilers, and gasification plants) and in environmental technology (flue gas cleaning plants) and offers equipment for the production of nonwovens, dissolving pulp, and panelboard as well as recycling plants. The publicly listed technology Group is headquartered in Graz, Austria, and has a staff of approximately 25,200 employees. ANDRITZ operates more than 250 sites in over 40 countries.

**ANDRITZ PULP & PAPER**

ANDRITZ PULP & PAPER is a leading global supplier of complete plants, systems, equipment, and comprehensive services for the production and processing of all types of pulp, paper, tissue, and cardboard. The technologies cover the processing of logs, annual fibers, and waste paper; the production of chemical pulp, mechanical pulp, and recycled fibers; the recovery and reuse of chemicals; the preparation of paper machine furnish; the production of paper, tissue, and cardboard; the calendering and coating of paper; as well as the treatment of reject materials and sludge. The service offering includes system and machine modernization, rebuilds, spare and wear parts, on-site and workshop services, optimization of process performance, maintenance and automation solutions, as well as machine relocation and second-hand equipment. Biomass, steam, and recovery boilers, as well as gasification plants for power generation, flue gas cleaning plants, plants for the production of nonwovens, dissolving pulp, and panelboard (MDF), as well as recycling plants are also part of this business area.