



PRESS RELEASE

ANDRITZ successfully starts up tissue production line with shoe press and steel Yankee at Africaine Paper Mills, Algeria

GRAZ, AUGUST 12, 2019. International technology Group ANDRITZ has successfully started up the *PrimeLineCOMPACT* tissue production line, including stock preparation, delivered to Africaine Paper Mills (APM) in Algeria.

The ANDRITZ energy-efficient tissue machine has a design speed of 2,100 m/min and a working width of 2.85 m and produces tissue for high-quality facial wipes as well as toilet and towel paper grades. The machine is equipped with the latest ANDRITZ shoe press technology *PrimePress XT Evo*. With its energy-efficient design, improved dewatering, and reduced need for thermal drying, the shoe press minimizes energy consumption. Furthermore, the 16 ft. *PrimeDry* Steel Yankee enables a high drying capacity.

The stock preparation system also consists of equipment with the highest energy efficiency, such as a FibreSolve FSV pulper with innovative rotor, well-proven TwinFlo double-disc refiners as well as ModuScreen HBE headbox screens for the approach flow system. Fiber recovery and broke handling are also part of the scope of supply.

"Start-up of the mill was a great success, and the collaboration with ANDRITZ was very good. It is the first tissue machine for APM, and we are proud to announce the first paper on reel. For us, good paper quality combined with energy-efficiency is of utmost importance. The combination of a steel Yankee and a shoe press enables efficient drying with substantial energy savings." Ziad Haffar, General Manager, Africaine Paper Mills (APM).

Africaine Paper Mills (APM) is an innovative paper manufacturing company founded by people with longtime and profound experience in the paper making industry. Its expansion plans include paper mills in several countries belonging to the MENA (Middle East & North Africa) region.

The successful start-up once again confirms ANDRITZ's strong position as one of the global market leaders in the tissue industry and as supplier for complete tissue production lines, key components, and services.

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Successful start-up of the ANDRITZ *PrimeLineCOMPACT* tissue production line at Africaine Paper Mills in Algeria.

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ANDRITZ GROUP

ANDRITZ is an international technology group providing plants, systems, equipment, and services for various industries. The company is one of the technology and global market leaders in the hydropower business, the pulp and paper industry, the metal working and steel industries, and in solid/liquid separation in the municipal and industrial segments. Other important fields of business are animal feed and biomass pelleting, as well as automation, where ANDRITZ offers a wide range of innovative products and services in the IIoT (Industrial Internet of Things) sector under the brand name of Metris. In addition, the company is active in power generation (steam boiler plants, biomass power plants, recovery boilers, and gasification plants) and environmental technology (flue gas and exhaust gas cleaning plants) and offers equipment for the production of nonwovens, dissolving pulp, and panelboard, as well as recycling plants.

ANDRITZ stands for passion, partnership, perspectives and versatility – core values to which the company is committed. The listed Group is headquartered in Graz, Austria. With almost 170 years of experience, approximately 29,600 employees, and more than 280 locations in over 40 countries worldwide, ANDRITZ is a reliable and competent partner and helps its customers to achieve their corporate and sustainability goals.

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, board, and tissue. The technologies cover processing of logs, annual fibers, and waste paper; production of chemical pulp, mechanical pulp, and recycled fibers; recovery and reuse of chemicals; preparation of paper machine furnish; production of paper, board, and tissue; sizing, calendering and coating of paper; as well as 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 for power production, gasification and flue gas cleaning plants, systems and plants for the production of nonwovens, dissolving pulp, and panelboard (MDF), as well as recycling and shredding solutions for various waste materials also form a part of this business area.