Season’s Greetings!

The CPBIS management team, together with the entire body of CPBIS faculty and staff, extend best wishes for this holiday season to all of our newsletter readers. You are important to the CPBIS community and the Center has worked hard this past year to help meet the industry’s research, education, and outreach needs. During this joyous season, we all hope that your travels are safe and your holidays relaxing.

With warm regards,
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Updates to MillsOnline

Among recent updates to the MillsOnline database of pulp and paper mills are the following:

- Domtar has ceased paper production at its Woodland, ME Mill.
- Blue Ridge Paper Products (Canton, NC) merged with Evergreen Packaging of Pine Bluff, AR effective 31 July. The new organization will be called "Evergreen Packaging Group".
- International Paper has converted its Cantonment, FL uncoated freesheet machine to produce 500,000 tons/year of lightweight linerboard. Production startup was announced on 24 September.
- Georgia-Pacific Brewton, LLC is the new owner of the former Smurfit-Stone linerboard mill in Brewton, AL. The mill has annual production capacity of 300,000 tons white top linerboard and 190,000 tons of solid bleached sulfate.

To access MillsOnline, just click on the map at http://www.cpbis.gatech.edu/millsonline. Locations of mills in that state will appear, with quick links to information about the mill and the community in which the mill operates. The database includes information on more than 600 mills in the U.S.

Student Summit Coming Soon

The 2008 Student Summit, sponsored by TAPPI, PIMA, and CPBIS will provide student leaders with an outstanding opportunity to learn about industry issues, network with peers and professionals, and gain valuable job-related skills.

With relevant educational sessions and a convenient locale, this is already gearing up to be a “must-attend” event! The three-day summit will be held January 19-21, 2008 at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia in Atlanta, Georgia. This year’s theme is “Re-energizing the Paper Industry – New Opportunities Abound.” Students preparing for careers in the pulp, paper, and converting industries won’t want to miss it.

The program for the 2008 Summit will include:
- Technical sessions on Sustainability; the State of the Industry; and BioEnergy;
- Career sessions, including How to Market Yourself; Succeeding on the Job; Leadership; and Technical vs Management: Which path is best for you?
- Social events, including a “behind the scenes” tour of the spectacular Georgia Aquarium, an IPST Museum tour, and the popular Engineering Competition
Mill tours: Visy Papermill & the Rock-Tenn Corrugated plant

Plus, new this year: Interview opportunities with major recruiters

To learn more about the 2008 Student Summit, see. [http://www.tappi.org/s_tappi/doc.asp?CID=13&DID=557293&TAPMKT=otw]

**Upcoming Events**

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