

## **Chetwynd Pulp Mill to Temporarily Curtail Production**

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CHETWYND, British Columbia--(BUSINESS WIRE)--April 24, 2001-- Louisiana-Pacific Canada Pulp Company today announced that it will temporarily curtail production at its bleached-chemi-thermo-mechanical pulp (BCTMP) mill in Chetwynd, British Columbia, for two months beginning April 24, 2001.

The curtailment of the mill, which operates as "Chetwynd Pulp Company," is in response to current conditions in global pulp markets. Weakened demand and rising inventories have resulted in lower pulp prices in recent months. Curtailing production will significantly reduce mill-operating losses.

About 150 mill employees will be affected by the two-month temporary layoff. The company plans, subject to market conditions, to recall employees in late June to conduct the mill's annual maintenance program and resume production in early July. Customer requirements will be met with existing inventories.

"We are very much aware of the impact this market-related shutdown will have on affected employees," said John Eccleston, manager of the Chetwynd mill. "We will manage the curtailment with the aim of minimizing negative effects on our employers, suppliers and neighboring communities, while taking the steps necessary to maximize the mill's future prospects."

Louisiana-Pacific Canada Pulp Co., owned by Louisiana-Pacific Corporation, is managed by Millar Western Forest Products Ltd.. The Chetwnyd mill annually produces 150,000 air-dried metric tonnes of bleached-chemi-thermo-mechanical pulp.

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