Arctic Paper Group

Results for the year 2013

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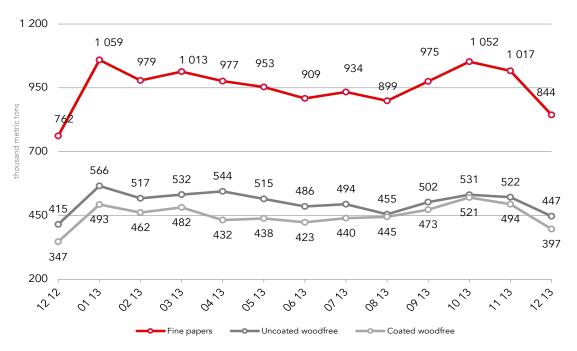
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- Market environment
- Operating and financial results
- Summary for the 2013



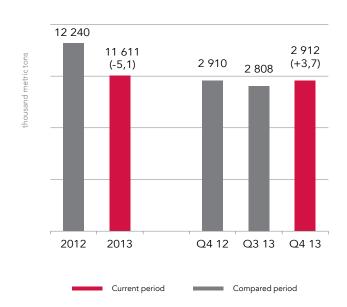
Market environment

Deliveries of fine paper



Monthly deliveries of fine paper in Europe

Quarterly and YTD deliveries of fine paper in Europe



Source: Arctic Paper based on EuroGraph data

On the YTD basis the volumes in 2013 were down by 4,1%.

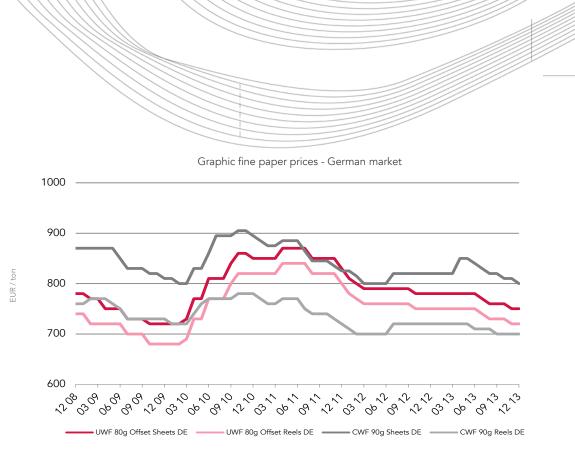
- In Q4 2013 Arctic Paper sales volume was 4,2% below the corresponding period of 2012 (in Q3 2013 one of the machine at Arctic Paper Mochenwangen with the capacity of 20.000 tons was closed was has direct impact on the volume).
- Arctic Paper volumes decreased less than the total tonnage delivered to the markets in Europe. Arctic Paper S.A.



- YTD December 2013 deliveries of fine paper in Europe reached the level of 11.611 thousand tons a 5,1% decline compared to 2012. Deliveries in the uncoated wood-free (UWF) segment were down by 4,0% and in the coated wood-free (CWF) segment down by 6,3%.
- In Q4 2013 deliveries of fine paper in Europe were up by 3,7% compared to Q3 2013 and 0,1% higher than in Q4 2012. Deliveries in the uncoated wood-free (UWF) segment were up by 3,4% compared to Q3 2013 and by 0,4% compared to Q4 2012. In the coated wood-free (CWF) segment the numbers were up by 4,0% and down by 0,3%.

Fine paper prices

- At the end of Q4 2013 fine paper prices were down compared to the end of Q4 2012 for UWF and for CWF. The average price decrease was -3,9% for UWF and -2,4% for CWF.
- At the end of Q4 2013 the average prices for UWF decreased by -1,7% and for CWF decreased by -1,8% compared to end of Q3 2013.



Source: Arctic Paper based on RISI data.

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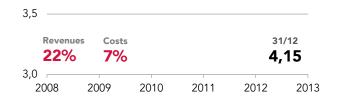
Change in price for graphic paper in EUR - Western Europe

Source: Arctic Paper based on EuroGraph data

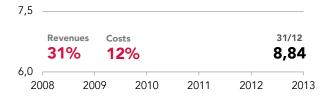
- Comparing December 2013 to December 2012 the UWF segment changed from -3,5% to -2,0% (average price - 2,8%), while in the CWF segment from -4,4% to -4,2% (average price -4,3%).
- The average prices invoiced by Arctic Paper in EUR for the UWF segment changed from October 2013 to December 2013 within the range of -1,0% to +1,1% (average price 0,0%), while in the CWF segment from -2,0% to -0,1% (average price -1,1%).

Currency exposure





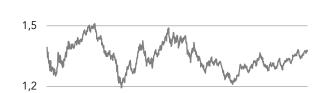




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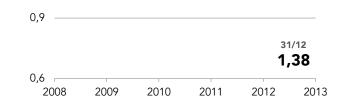
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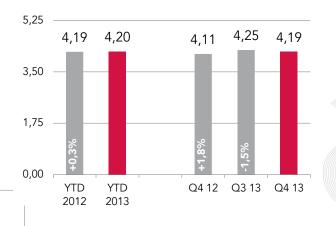
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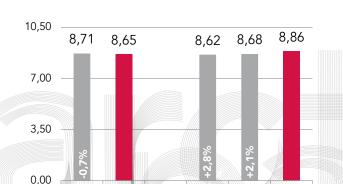
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EUR/USD changes



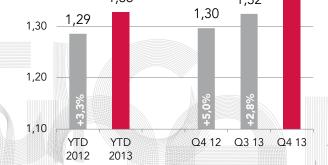






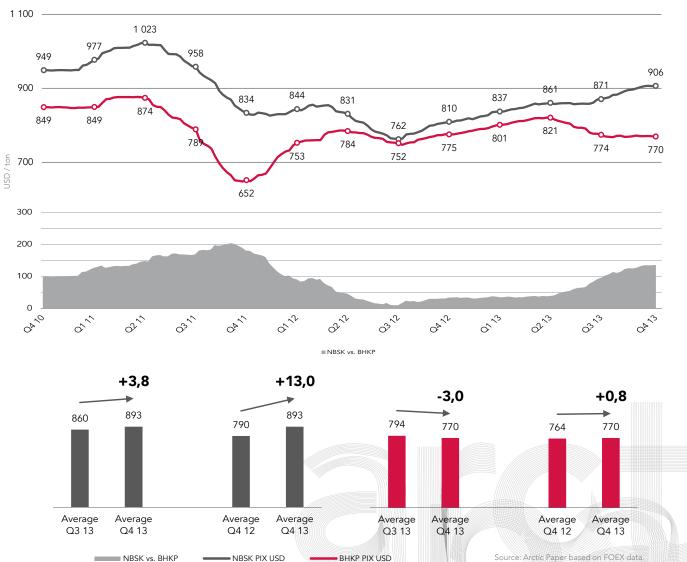
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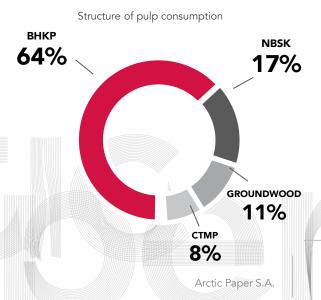
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Pulp prices



Pulp PIX Indexes Europe

- As at the end of December pulp prices were at USD 906 per ton for NBSK and USD 770 per ton for BHKP. The average price for NBSK in Q4 2013 was 13,0% higher than in the corresponding period of 2012, while BHKP was up by 0,8%. In Q4 2013 average NBSK pulp price was 3,8% higher while BHKP pulp price was 3,0% lower than in Q3 2013.
- The average cost of pulp per ton for the AP Group in Q4 2013, expressed in PLN, was down by - 4,2% compared to Q3 2013 and up by 3,3% compared to Q4 2012.



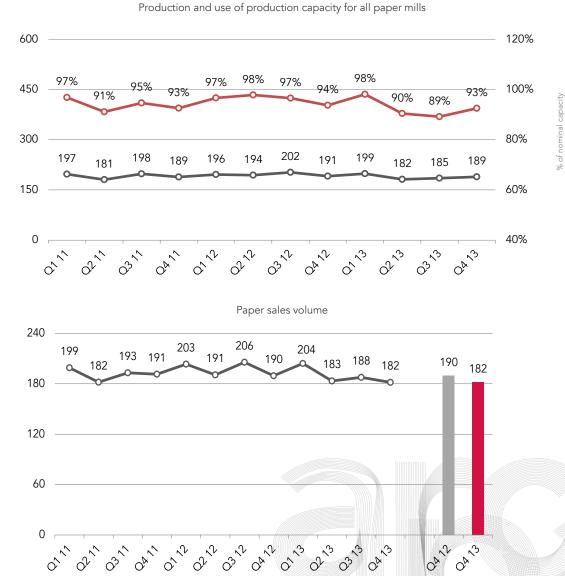
Operating and financial results for the year 2013

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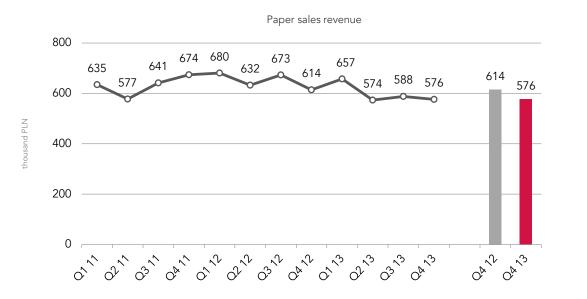
Operating and financial results for the year 2013

- In Q4 2013 the use of production capacity for all Group paper mills was 93%, which was +3,3 p.p. higher than in Q3 2013 and -1,2 p.p. lower than in the corresponding period of 2012. The average use of production capacity in the last 12 months was 93%.
- In Q4 2013 production volume for all Group mills was 189 thousand tons, +2,2% higher than in Q3 2013 and -1,0% lower than the corresponding period 2012.

- In Q4 2013 the Arctic Paper Group noted decrease in sales volume compared to Q3 2013 of -3,2% compared to Q4 2012 of -4,2% and on the YTD basis by -4,1%. Sales volume in Q4 2013 was 182 thousand tons.
- In Q3 2013 one paper machine at Arctic Paper Mochenwangen with the capacity of 20.000 tons was closed which had a direct impact on the volume.

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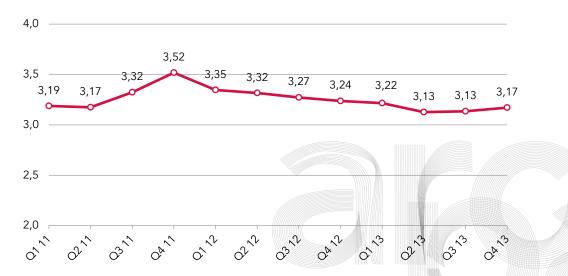
Paper sales revenue and revenue per ton



Arctic Paper Group paper sales revenue in Q4 2013 was PLN 576m, representing a decrease of -2,0% compared to Q3 2013 and decrease of -6,2% compared to Q4 2012. On the YTD basis revenues from paper sales reached the level of PLN 2.394m a decrease of -7,9% compared to 2012.

In Q4 2013 paper revenue per ton, expressed in PLN, was PLN 3,17k, which represents increase of 1,2% compared to Q3 2013 and a decrease of -2,1% compared to Q4 2012. On the YTD basis revenue per ton reached PLN 3,16k, 4,0% lower than 2012.





Paper sales revenue per ton

Key consolidated figures

| | Q4 | Q4 | Q3 | YTD Q4 | YTD Q4 | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| (PLN thousands) | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2013 | 2012 | |
| Paper sales volume (000' tonnes) | 182 | 190 | 188 | 757 | - 789 | _ |
| Pulp sales volume (000' tonnes) | 76 | 0 | 83 | 333 | 0 | |
| Revenues | 734 894 | 622 133 | 784 000 | 3 104 901 | 2 631 717 | |
| Gross profit on sales | 28 921 | -160 887 | 79 910 | 190 886 | 157 010 | _ |
| <u>% margin</u> | 3,9 | -25,9 | 10,2 | 6,1 | 6,0 | |
| EBITDA | 13 599 | 218 544 | 23 549 | 72 862 | 352 162 | \langle |
| % margin | 1,9 | 35,1 | 3,0 | 2,3 | 13,4 | |
| EBIT | -49 760 | -61 560 | -7 046 | -151 641 | -19 998 | |
| % margin | -6,8 | -9,9 | -0,9 | -4,9 | -0,8 | |
| Net result | -38 930 | 7 531 | -15 291 | -152 153 | 23 699 | |
| % margin | -5,3 | 1,2 | -2,0 | -4,9 | 0,9 | |
| | | | | | | |
| Net operating cash flow | 39 335 | 95 554 | 28 167 | 14 857 | 167 054 | |
| Capital expenditures | 17 595 | 28 873 | 26 913 | 87 337 | 83 057 | |
| Cash and equivalents | 118 033 | 202 710 | 103 884 | 118 033 | 202 710 | |
| | | | | | | |
| Total assets | 1 784 458 | 2 045 599 | 1 869 263 | 1 784 458 | 2 045 599 | |
| Capital employed | 1 070 344 | 1 247 842 | 952 555 | 1 070 344 | 1 247 842 | |
| Total equity | 671 532 | 829 487 | 724 333 | 671 532 | 829 487 | |
| Net debt | 392 161 | 293 686 | 391 041 | 392 161 | 293 686 | |
| | | | | | | |
| Eearings per share (PLN) | -0,56 | 0,14 | -0,22 | -2,20 | 0,43 | |
| Equity / assets ratio (%) | 38 | 41 | 39 | 38 | 41 | |
| Net debt / equity ratio (%) | 58 | 35 | 54 | 58 | 35 | |
| Net debt / EBITDA (times) | 5,38x | 0,83x | 5,33x | 5,38x | 0,83x | |
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Q4 2013 paper sales volume were lower than in Q3 2013 (-3,2%) and total revenues were by -6,3% lower compared to Q3 2013 (of this -12,6% is Rottneros revenue decrease and -4,5% the paper segment revenue).

Q4 2013 gross profit margin on a lower level compared to Q3 2013 by PLN 50,1m (of which PLN 36,3m APG mill impairment).

Q4 2013 EBITDA lower by PLN 9,9m compared to Q3 2013 and lower by PLN -12,5m compared to Q4 2012 (excluding Q4 2012 one-off related to badwill on Rottneros).

Positive operating cash flow in the Q4 2013.

Capex under control.

Cash higher by PLN 14,1m comparing to Q3 2013.

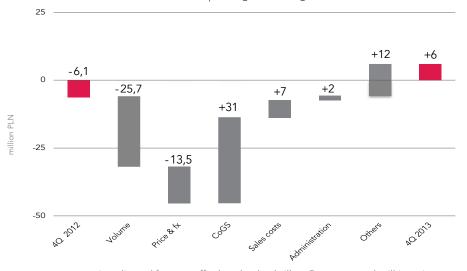
Net debt almost on the same level as in Q3 2013 (+0,3%).

Key consolidated figures after one-offs excluding

| | Q4 | Q4 | Q3 | YTD Q4 | YTD Q4 |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|---------------|-----------|
| (PLN thousands) | 2013* | 2012* | 2013 | 2013* | 2012* |
| Paper sales volume (000' tonnes) | 182 | 190 | 188 | 757 | 789 |
| Pulp sales volume (000' tonnes) | 76 | 0 | 83 | 333 | 0 |
| Revenues | 734 894 | 622 133 | 784 000 | 3 104 901 | 2 631 717 |
| Gross profit on sales | 65 248 | 87 026 | 79 910 | 293 862 | 404 923 |
| % margin | 8,9 | 14,0 | 10,2 | 9,5 | 15,4 |
| EBITDA | 13 599 | 26 092 | 23 549 | 72 862 | 159 710 |
| % margin | 1,9 | 4,2 | 3,0 | 2,3 | 6,1 |
| EBIT | -13 433 | -6 100 | -7 046 | -48 664 | 35 462 |
| % margin | -1,8 | -1,0 | -0,9 | -1,6 | 1,3 |
| Net result | -18 658 | 15 888 | -15 291 | -77 894 | 32 056 |
| % margin | -2,5 | 2,6 | -2,0 | -2,5 | 1,2 |
| Net operating cash flow | 39 335 | 95 554 | 28 167 | 14 857 | 167 054 |
| Capital expenditures | 17 595 | 28 873 | 26 913 | 87 337 | 83 057 |
| Cash and equivalents | 118 033 | 202 710 | 103 884 | 118 033 | 202 710 |
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| Total equity | 671 532 | 829 487 | 724 333 | 671 532 | 829 487 |
| Net debt | 392 161 | 293 686 | 391 041 | 392 161 | 293 686 |
| | | 0.20 | 0.22 | 1 1 2 | 0.59 |
| Eearings per share (PLN) | -0,27 | 0,29 | -0,22 | -1,12 | 0,58 |
| Equity / assets ratio (%) | 38 | 41 | <u>39</u> | 38 | 41 |
| Net debt / equity ratio (%) | 58 50 | 1 04. | 54 5-22-2 | 58 5 - 20: | 35 |
| Net debt / EBITDA (times) | 5,38x | 1,84x | 5,33x | 5,38x | 1,84x |

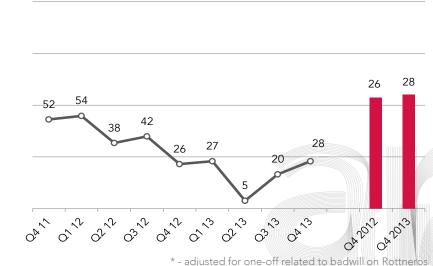
* - adjusted for one-off related to badwill on Rottneros and mill impairments

Operating result and EBITDA (excluding one-offs and Rottneros)



Q4 Operating result bridge *

* - adjusted for one-off related to badwill on Rottneros and mill impairments



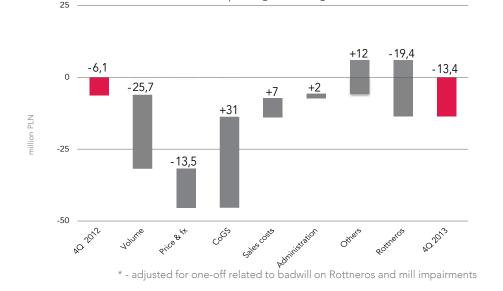
EBITDA evolution*

Operating result for the Q4 2013 excluding the APG mill impairment reached level of PLN 6,0m compared to PLN -6,1m in Q4 2012 (if exclude one-offs related to badwill of Rottneros and mill impairments). Main contributor to the increase was lower CoGS (PLN +31,0m, part of which, 82% came from lower sale volume), lower sales costs, administration and others. In total the gave the positive effect of PLN +52,0m. The effect was partly offset by volume (PLN -25,7m) and price and exchange rates (PLN -13,5m).

In Q4 2013 EBITDA reached the level of PLN 28,0m, which is increase compared to Q3 2013 by PLN +7,6m, mainly due to better product mix sales and lower variable costs than in Q3 2013. Comparing to Q4 2012 achieved EBITDA was higher by PLN +1,7m.

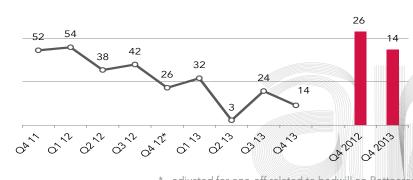
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Consolidated operating result and EBITDA



Q4 Operating result bridge *





^{* -} adjusted for one-off related to badwill on Rottneros

- Operating result for the Q4 2013 excluding the APG mill impairment reached level of PLN -13,4m compared to PLN -6,1m in Q4 2012 (if exclude one-offs related to badwill on Rottneros and mill impairments). Main contributor to the decrease was lower volume (PLN -25,7m) and price and exchange rates (PLN -13,5m). Part of that was offset by a positive effect from CoGS 82% (mainly due to lower volume). Sales costs, administration and others in total gave positive effect of PLN +21,0m. Rottneros impact on the operating results for the period was negative PLN -19,4m.
- In Q4 2013 consolidated EBITDA of Arctic Paper Group reached the level of PLN 13,6m, which is decrease compared to Q3 2013, due to negative Rottneros EBITDA of PLN -13,9m.
 Comparing to Q4 2012 achieved EBITDA was PLN -12,2m lower.

million PLN



Summary of the 2013

The year 2013 in brief

Market environment

- Visible change in demand for fine papers in Europe in Q4 2013 (+3,7% compared to Q3 2013 and +0,1% compared to Q4 2012) after poor Q2 and Q3 2013.
- The decline of market paper prices continued in the fourth quarter of 2013 for both UWF (-1,7% compared end of Q4 to end of Q3 2013) and CWF (-1,8% compared end of Q4 to end of Q3 2013).
- Better SEK exchange rate evaluation in second half of 2013 in comparison to the first half.
- Increasing prices in the first half of 2013 for BHKP and NBSK. Change of trend for BHKP in Q3 2013 and finally decrease by -5,7% in Q3 2013 and by -6,2% in Q4 2013 compared with the highest Q2 2013 price. NBSK finish the end 2013 with the highest price during the whole year, +12,0% compared to the end of 2012.
- Slight improvement in market trends, as pulp prices and exchange rate were at a somewhat more favourable level for the company

Arctic Paper Group

- Generated revenue of PLN 3.1bn, an increase of 18% year-on-year, due to consolidation with the Rottneros Group since 2013.
- Revenue from paper sales by Arctic Paper was PLN 2.4bn, down 7.9% from 2012. The decrease was due to a drop in sales tonnage (among other reasons related to closure of a paper machine at Arctic Paper Mochenwangen 20,000 t annually), unfavourable exchange rates and slightly lower prices
- Write-downs were made for permanent impairment in value of non-financial assets of Arctic Paper Grycksbo in the amount of PLN 102.98m, of which PLN 66,6m was done in Q2 2013 and of PLN 36,3m in Q4 2013. This impacted both the operating and net loss.
- > The utilization of Arctic Papers capacity remained at the high level of 93%.
- In activity connected with the paper market, Arctic Paper earned a EBITDA result in 4Q 2013 of PLN 27.5m (compared to PLN 26.01m in 4Q 2012 and PLN 19.9m in 3Q2013).



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