

Sappi publishes Sustainability Report 2014

Sappi's goal is to actively transform the company into a growing and profitable diversified woodfibre group focused on specialised cellulose, cash generative and profitable paper businesses and other high margin industrial products which will provide value to its customers and wealth to its people and shareholders.

The group made good progress towards this goal in 2014, enjoying significant growth and strong financial results.

Sappi's ability to create value for its shareholders is the foundation of its commitment to sustainable development, framed in terms of Prosperity, People and Planet – referred to internally as the 3Ps.

The group's 2014 integrated and sustainability reports provide insight into the manner in which Sappi is creating value in terms of the 3Ps, not just for investors, but for a broad range of stakeholders, including employees, customers and communities.

Both reports cover sustainability-related challenges that could have a material impact on Sappi's performance as a business either by directly impacting the group's ability to operate profitably or by affecting its reputation and the trust stakeholders have in Sappi.

The global sustainability report highlights the integration of sustainability into Sappi's everyday business practices and progress towards the goals set out in its Sustainability Charter. These include generating Prosperity, developing People and promoting socio-economic development within communities, and treading more lightly on the Planet.

The information presented in the online report provides greater detail on Sappi's significant economic, environmental, and social impacts within the context of current business operations and prevailing trends in the pulp and paper industry and the global economy.

The report follows the Global Reporting Initiative's (GRI's) G4 Sustainability Reporting Guidelines (Core) which emphasise materiality, comparability, relevance, completeness and accuracy.

View the full report at www.sappi.com/group/Sustainability/2014-Sappi-Group-Sustainability-Report.pdf