

PORT HAWKESBURY PAPER



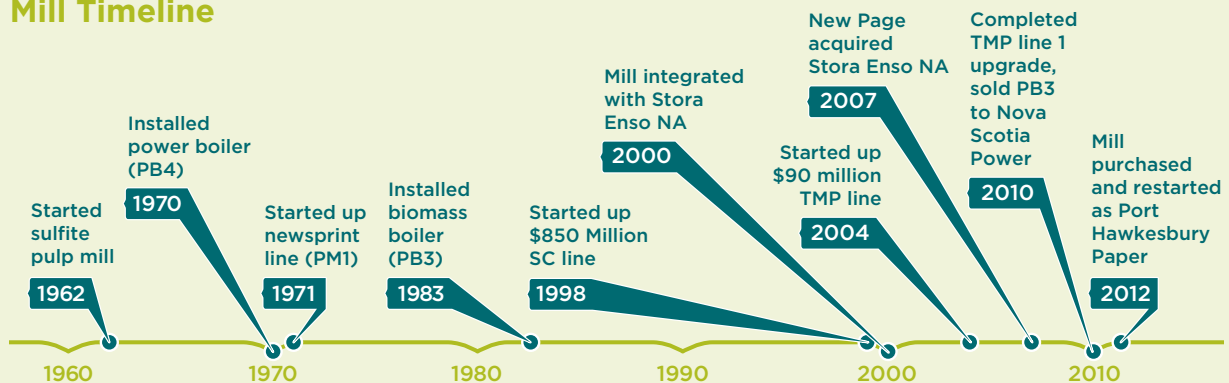
Mill Overview

The Port Hawkesbury mill site was first developed in 1962 with the start up of a sulfite pulp mill. Within ten years, the mill added a newsprint machine and continued to manufacture newsprint and pulp for the next three decades. In 1998, Port Hawkesbury expanded again by investing \$850 million on a state-of-the-art supercalender (SC) paper machine. In 2012, the mill at Port Hawkesbury was purchased by Stern Partners and reopened as Port Hawkesbury Paper. The SC machine (PM2) is capable of producing 400,000 tons of SCA++, SCA+, SCA and SCB papers for use in retail inserts, magazines and catalogs and represents about 21% of the North American capacity for SC paper.

The SC machine at Port Hawkesbury Paper is capable of delivering the highest quality and most efficient paper production available. Modern equipment, in combination with effective management and a highly skilled workforce, make the mill one of the premier paper manufacturers in the world.

In addition to the supercalender machine, the mill has three thermomechanical pulp (TMP) lines capable of producing 650,000 air-dried metric tons of fiber annually. This amount accounts for 90% of the mill's total fiber requirement.

Mill Timeline



PORT HAWKESBURY PAPER MILL

Equipment

Paper Machine 2:

- Capacity: 400,000 tons/360,000 metric tonnes
- Max trim: 369 inches/ 9.4 meters
- Max production speed: 5900 fpm/1800 mpm
- Basis weight range: 28 - 50 lbs./40 - 74 gsm
- 2 Janus SC calenders
- 2 Winders

TMP Operations:

- 3 pulp lines produce 650,000 air-dried metric tonnes per year

Products:

- Artisan® Plus
- Artisan®
- Prominence Plus®
- Prominence®
- Maritime®

Environmental

The mill has established rigorous environmental and forestry plans and is meeting or exceeding its sustainability goals. Our SC papers are available with FSC®, SFI® or PEFC® certification as options upon request through our Chain of Custody Certification.



Product Quality

The mill is a first class facility and produces some of the highest quality SC lines of paper on the market. Paper manufactured by Port Hawkesbury Paper differentiates itself from the competitors based on the following:

- Superior runnability with less waste and more uptime on press - receiving industry awards for best in class runnability
- Higher printed gloss
- Flexibility to manufacture a variety of basis weights
- Available as FSC, SFI or PEFC certified
- Brightness comparable with a coated groundwood #5 paper

Service

The mill at Port Hawkesbury has access to vessel, rail and truck modes of transportation to serve customers across North America and overseas. An onsite warehouse facility and offsite warehousing capabilities ensure well monitored inventory levels for just-in-time shipments and efficient service.



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