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### The new Voith OnCare.pmPortal – Digital data and inventory management for maximum transparency and availability

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- Maximum transparency of product data, run times and inventories
- Optimally planned maintenance periods and downtimes
- Rapid reordering of registered components via the Voith Paper Webshop

**HEIDENHEIM, Germany.** The data and inventory management of products and consumables involves a considerable amount of administrative work. The new digital asset management tool OnCare.pmPortal now offers paper manufacturers an optimum alternative for increasing both the transparency of product data and the efficiency of the procurement system, while also facilitating the planning of maintenance periods and downtimes and increasing plant availability. Thanks to a direct connection to the Voith Paper Webshop, registered components can be reordered quickly, easily and without any risk of confusion.

“With the OnCare.pmPortal, Voith has developed a powerful asset management tool that simplifies central data management and gives paper manufacturers an overview of key products and consumables in their paper machine,” says Richard Birkhold, Global Product Manager Asset Management at Voith. “This facilitates optimized documentation of activities such as maintenance, repair and replacement, and simplifies data maintenance.” A particularly convenient feature of this tool is that it allows employees to select the component they are looking for using a digital image of the paper machine and provides them with immediate access to all relevant product information.

“Every day, I coordinate maintenance measures and control numerous processes,” says Karl-Josef Uhlemann, maintenance manager for rolls at Schoellershammer in Germany. “With the digital inventory management

tool, I can now manage consumables and rolls centrally and access the data at any time and from any place.”

The OnCare.pmPortal now starts with two modules: The automated data recording of rolls and fabrics, as well as the digital inventory management of doctor blades. These product groups are automatically identifiable in the OnCare.pmPortal by means of a digital nameplate and do not require manual entry in the system.

### **ID tagging for rolls and fabrics: For constant visibility of product data and run times**

The ID tagging module for rolls and fabrics is a combination of contactless, radio-based connection technologies and the integration of digital nameplates based on proven industry standards. The solution offers simple, user-friendly tagging of rolls and fabrics and enables seamless identification through the scan of a digital nameplate. Regardless of the technology standard, the ID tags can be read with a smartphone and the corresponding Voith app and managed in the OnCare.pmPortal. The mobile application grants access to all product data, at any time and from any location, for efficient tracking of the product history and optimized documentation of activities such as maintenance, repair and replacement.

Karl-Josef Uhlemann explains: “Thanks to the combination of OnCare.pmPortal and the ID tagging module, I can identify a product directly via the digital nameplate or search the database. The mobile application with its intuitive interface provides a quick and easy overview of product information and important product lifecycle data.”

### **Blade Inventory Management System: Digital control of inventory data and fully automated management of inventories**

With the help of the Blade Inventory Management System module, the operator no longer has to worry about ordering doctor blades or the associated stock control and supply chains. This is made possible with an ID tag on the packaging of the doctor blades. New doctor blades are automatically reordered and delivered by the system as soon as the stock in the warehouse reaches a minimum, individually defined level. As soon as the new blades arrive in the customer warehouse or existing blades are removed from the warehouse, the stock is updated in the OnCare.pmPortal and can be accessed from there at any time, thus increasing inventory traceability and transparency. At the same time, there is no need to maintain inventory lists or carry out inventory controls. As a result, the OnCare.pmPortal not only reduces the outlay and costs associated with

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inventory management, but also increases its efficiency by using automated and digitized processes.

Voith plans to extend ID tagging to additional consumables and components in the near future and, in doing so, will offer paper manufacturers an even more powerful tool.

Further information on the OnCare.pmPortal and available modules can be found at: [www.voith.com/oncarepmportal](http://www.voith.com/oncarepmportal)

### About the Voith Group

The Voith Group is a global technology company. With its broad portfolio of systems, products, services and digital applications, Voith sets standards in the markets of energy, oil & gas, paper, raw materials and transport & automotive. Founded in 1867, the company today has more than 20,000 employees, sales of € 4.2 billion and locations in over 60 countries worldwide and is thus one of the larger family-owned companies in Europe.

The Group Division Voith Paper is part of the Voith Group. As the full-line supplier to the paper industry, it provides the largest range of technologies, services and products on the market and offers paper manufacturers holistic solutions from a single source. The company's continuous stream of innovations facilitates resource-conserving production and helps customers minimize their carbon footprint. With its leading automation products and digitalization solutions from the Papermaking 4.0 portfolio, Voith offers its customers state-of-the-art digital technologies to improve plant availability and efficiency for all sections of the production process.



The Voith OnCare.pmPortal allows paper manufacturers to use a central data and automated inventory management system for the proactive planning of maintenance periods and downtimes.

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