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BlueLine technology convinces Lucart with significant increase in production capacity and energy savings

- **Significant increase in production capacity**
- **Energy savings of up to 25 percent**
- **Maximum fiber cleaning and sustainable fiber utilization**

Heidenheim, Germany. Voith recently reached a deal with Lucart Group for the delivery of a BlueLine stock preparation system at the company's paper mill headquarters in Porcari, Italy.

The scope of supply includes all the latest Voith technologies to minimize energy consumption and achieve maximum efficiency in fiber usage. Above all, the Intensa technology was a key factor for Lucart in choosing Voith. With this pulping technology, based on a flow optimized vat and an eccentrically arranged rotor, Lucart will benefit from a significant increase in production capacity and energy savings of up to 25 percent compared to conventional technologies. The new stock preparation line will be equipped with additional energy-efficient components and systems – like ComMix, InduraHiClean and the Pluralis refining technology – which will help the mill to accomplish its goal of maximum sustainable fiber usage.

“At Lucart, we’re continuously seeking to improve the sustainability of our operations,” said Franco Pasquini, Technical Director at Lucart. “Energy consumption reduction and efficient fiber usage are key targets in all our operations. The installation of the latest stock preparation technologies from Voith will contribute to accomplish our strategic goals.”

“Lucart is well known for its focus on environmental sustainability and experience in raw materials usage,” said Roberto Buzzi, Sales Manager, Voith Paper. “We’re proud of having earned their trust with our stock preparation technologies.”

About Lucart

Lucart, a leading company in Europe in the production of MG paper, tissue products and airlaid products, was founded in 1953 by the Pasquini Family. Lucart's production capacity is 395,000 tons/year of paper on 12 paper machines and 65 converting lines. Its consolidated turnover will amount to more than €450 million, with more than 1,500 employees in ten production plants and a Logistic Center in Italy.

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About Voith

Voith Paper is a Group Division of Voith and the leading partner and pioneer in the paper industry. Through constant innovations Voith Paper is optimizing the paper manufacturing process and facilitating resource-conserving production. The company's Papermaking 4.0 concept ensures that equipment is optimally networked, while the effective and secure use of the generated data enables paper manufacturers to improve their competitiveness.

Voith is a global technology group. With its wide range of plants, products, services and digital applications, Voith sets standards in the markets for energy, oil and gas, paper, raw materials and transport & automotive. Founded in 1867, Voith today has more than 19,000 employees and earns 4.2 billion euros in sales. It has locations in over 60 countries and is one of the largest family-owned companies in Europe.

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