

Introduction

We are pleased to share our Paper Industry Multiples Valuation Update for Q1 2023.

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Pulp & Paper Global Comparable Public Companies

Company				Revenue	EBITDA	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarter Mar. 31, 2023	
	Country	Cap. US\$M	US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2021	2022	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
cmpc	CHL	\$4,192	\$8,846	\$7,821	21.6%	16.9x	5.4x	4.8x	1.1x
iber papel	ESP	\$189	\$146	\$315	10.2%	12.7x	8.6x	4.5x	0.5x
JK PAPER LTD.	IND	\$787	\$999	\$725	31.5%	7.6x	6.9x	4.3x	1.4x
Klabin	BRA	\$3,948	\$8,825	\$3,789	38.5%	10.4x	6.6x	5.6x	2.2x
MERCER .	CAN	\$646	\$1,661	\$2,281	23.6%	7.8x	3.4x	3.0x	0.7x
	JPN	\$889	\$6,976	\$8,497	4.3%	10.0x	10.4x	16.1x	0.8x
sappi	ZAF	\$1,475	\$2,666	\$7,259	14.8%	10.5x	4.4x	2.5x	0.4x
PS, Semapa	PRT	\$1,187	\$2,469	\$3,337	26.2%	6.3x	4.3x	2.7x	0.7x
Suzano	BRA	\$10,757	\$23,359	\$9,426	56.4%	9.1x	5.5x	4.1x	2.4x
SCA	SWE	\$9,264	\$10,394	\$2,203	35.8%	38.0x	14.7x	12.9x	4.7x
NANIGATOR	PRT	\$2,547	\$3,029	\$2,634	29.0%	10.2x	7.4x	3.9x	1.1×
UPM	FIN	\$17,934	\$21,565	\$12,525	20.7%	12.4x	11.1x	7.9x	1.7x
					Mean	9.7x	6.7x	4.3x	1.2x 1.1x
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Paper Products Global Comparable Public Companies

Company		Country	Market Cap. US\$M	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarter Mar. 31, 2023	
Company							2021	2022	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Clearwater Paper Corporation	CLEARWATER PAPER.	USA	\$560	\$1,120	\$2,080	10.6%	5.4x	5.6x	4.7x	0.5x
International Paper Company	International Paper	USA	\$12,598	\$17,803	\$21,161	14.1%	8.3x	5.9x	5.5x	0.8x
Irani Papel e Embalagem S.A.	irani))	BRA	\$417	\$568	\$319	31.0%	7.5x	4.6x	5.4x	1.7x
Metsä Board Oyj	Metsä	FIN	\$3,034	\$3,328	\$2,657	15.5%	9.7x	6.8x	5.5x	1.2x
Miquel y Costas & Miquel, S.A.	miquel y costas & miquel,s.a.	ESP	\$508	\$524	\$362	17.4%	5.9x	5.6x	8.2x	1.4x
Mondi plc	mondi	GBR	\$7,692	\$9,299	\$9,514	18.6%	9.4x	6.8x	5.1x	1.0x
Smurfit Kappa Group Plc Smurfit Kap		ı IRL	\$9,321	\$12,598	\$13,696	16.9%	9.6x	7.4x	5.1x	0.9x
Stora Enso Oyj			\$10,546	\$12,746	\$12,483	18.3%	12.3x	7.5x	4.9x	1.0x
Sylvamo Corporation Sylvamo		USA	\$1,960	\$2,673	\$3,628	18.8%	3.4x	4.3x	3.6x	0.7x
Excluded from mean and median						Mean Median	7.4x 7.9x	6.1x 5.9x	5.3x 5.1x	1.0x 1.0x

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Paper - Q1 Global Transactions

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	%	Size	EV/	EV/
						Acquired	US\$M	EBITDA	Revenue
Mar-23	resolute Forest Products	CAN	Provides a diverse range of wood, pulp, tissue and paper products	PAPER EXCELLENCE GROUP	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Feb-23	Dryden Pulp Mill of Domtar Corporation	CAN	Operates as a pulp mill	First Quality .	Domtar	100.0%	-	-	-
Feb-23	PATERSON	USA	Offer paper and parchment products to the foodservice industry	hoffmaster®	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Feb-23	ARTECHE POTA EN ARTAGON AREA	PRT	Manufactures core board paper and color paper	でcorex	CREST CAPITAL PARTNERS	100.0%	-	-	-
Feb-23	Goma Camps Cosumer SL, Goma Camps France	ESP	Manufactures paper and paper products	NANIGATOR	ZGC	100.0%	\$92.8	-	0.7x
Jan-23	ILIM	CHE	Manufactures paper and paper products	Undisclosed	International Paper	50.0%	\$484.0	-	-
Jan-23	Marubeni Office Supply	JPN	Manufactures and sales recording paper for cash registers, ATMs, handy terminals, facsimiles, and other office equipment	E TOUR MATSUSHINGS	Marubeni	50.1%	\$18.5	-	-
Jan-23	COSMO® SPECIALTY FIBERS INC.	USA	Produces wood pulp	Charlestown Investments Limited	TGG GORES GROUP	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-23	Geegraphics [®]	USA	Manufactures and distributes paper products	M	-	100.0%	-	-	-

Representative Global Engagements

























































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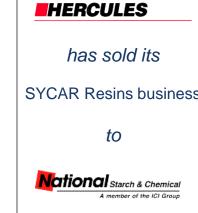
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