






**PAPER
EXCELLENCE**

PULP PRODUCTS

Paper Excellence manufactures high-quality softwood and hardwood kraft chemical pulps, and chemi-thermo-mechanical pulps, that in turn are used to make packaging, papers, tissues, towels, and other specialty products. Kraft pulp is a distinctively high-strength type of pulp and a key building block of many familiar and important products in our daily lives.

Paper Excellence is a diversified manufacturer of pulp and specialty, printing and writing, and packaging papers. We believe in the enduring value of wood-based products in global markets, and have built a large network of mills and chipping plants to produce them competitively. Through our distinct approach to operational excellence, we deliver high-quality and cost-effective products to international customers.

SPECIFIC EXAMPLES OF PRODUCTS MADE FROM OUR PAPER EXCELLENCE PULP GRADES ARE:

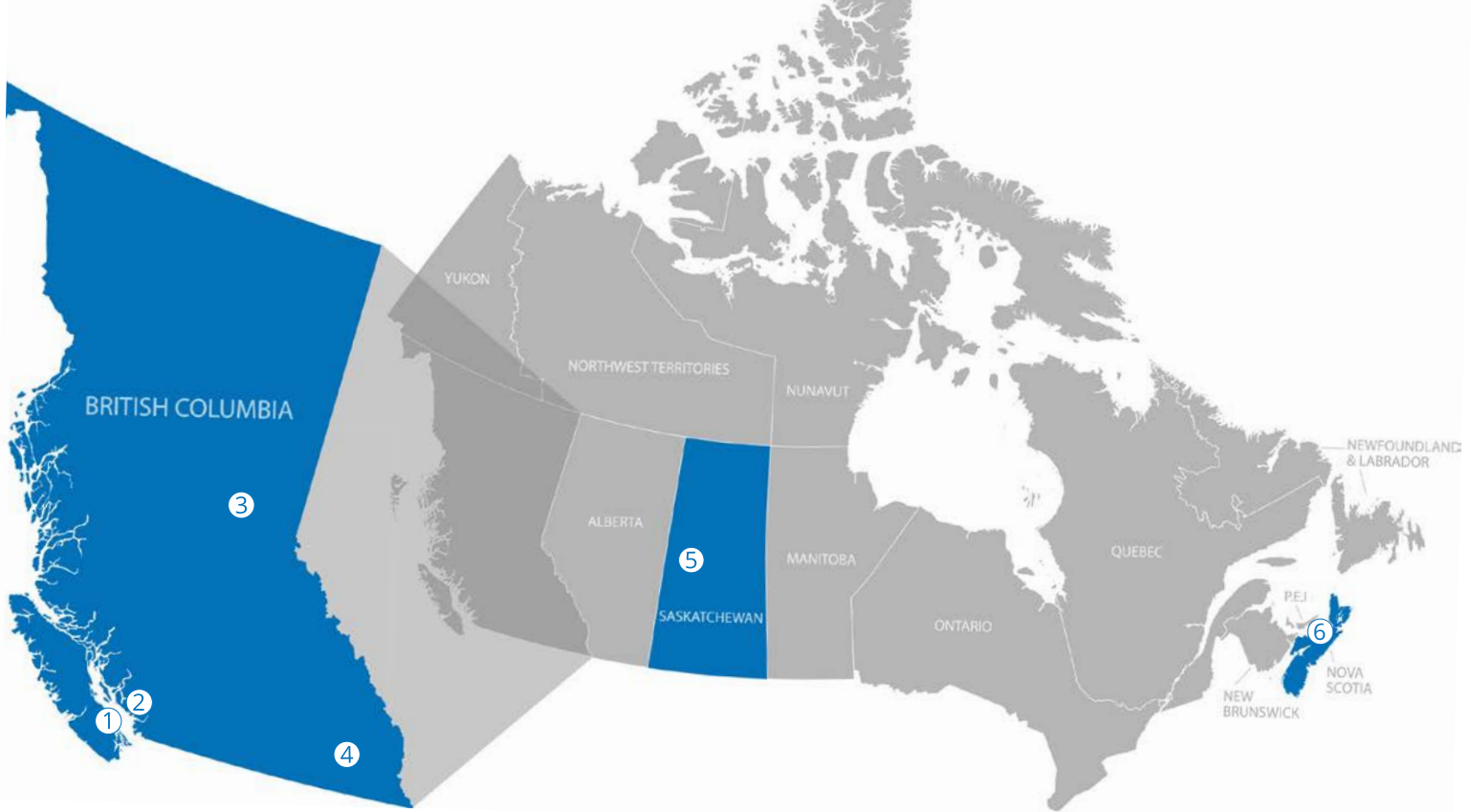
-  Wood-free printing and writing papers, office papers, photocopy, and converting papers
-  Household tissue, towel and hygienic grades, commercial tissue papers, and other consumer products
-  A wide range of specialty paper and non-paper products including food or beverage contact applications, industrial papers, Japanese wash papers, fibre cement, and plastic-fibre composites

PAPER EXCELLENCE CARES ABOUT CERTIFICATION

Paper Excellence buys fibre from local sawmills and forest tenure holders and owners. We use responsibly sourced fibre in the form of wood chips, which are byproducts of lumber manufacturing, and pulp logs, which are poor quality logs that are unsuitable for lumber manufacturing. Each of our pulp mills is certified to FSC®, PEFC™ and SFI® Chain of Custody standards¹.



¹ FSC=Forest Stewardship Council | PEFC=Programme for the Enforcement of Forest Certification | SFI=Sustainable Forestry Initiative



CANADA

1 **CROFTON** / BRITISH COLUMBIA / 590 EMPLOYEES Production – **334,000 T Kraft pulp**

Catalyst Crofton produces northern bleached softwood kraft pulp grades (NBSK) from western coastal and interior BC wood species, primarily with wood chips from sawmill residuals. Their northern bleached softwood kraft (NBSK) grades have been designed to take advantage of the special characteristics of western Canadian softwood fibre species. Crofton grades are valued for their distinctive properties including high strength, important functional benefits, consistency and excellent runnability. Shipments to key markets are made directly from Crofton mill's deep sea dock facility.

2 **HOWE SOUND** / BRITISH COLUMBIA / 380 EMPLOYEES Production – **455,000 T Kraft pulp**

As one of the oldest operating mills in BC, Howe Sound mill is the producer of high quality northern bleached softwood kraft (NBSK) pulps. These pulps are used by customers worldwide to make a wide variety of products. Shipments to customers are directly from Howe Sound's deep sea port facility for economic access to the Pacific Rim.

3 **MACKENZIE** / BRITISH COLUMBIA / 260 EMPLOYEES Production – **245,000 T Kraft pulp**

Located in northern British Columbia, Mackenzie manufactures some of the brightest, cleanest and strongest pulp on the market with unique characteristics of white spruce, lodge pole pine and alpine fir which thrive in the cold northern climate. They are a leading producer of high quality northern bleached softwood kraft pulps that are used by customers worldwide.

4 **SKOOKUMCHUCK** / BRITISH COLUMBIA / 280 EMPLOYEES Production – **280,000 T Kraft pulp**

Commissioned in 1968, Skookumchuck pulp has seen substantial modernization work making the mill one of Paper Excellence's most sophisticated facilities. Skookumchuck Pulp mill is a leading producer of high quality northern bleached softwood kraft pulps. These pulps are used by customers worldwide to make a variety of products.

5 **MEADOW LAKE** / SASKATCHEWAN / 190 EMPLOYEES Production – **420,000 T CTMP pulp**

Located in the boreal forest of northwestern Saskatchewan, Meadow Lake Mechanical Pulp's purchase by Paper Excellence in 2007 marked its entry into Canadian pulp and paper market. Meadow Lake mill produces high quality bleached chem thermal mechanical pulp (BCTMP). This pulp is used by customers primarily in Asia to make a wide variety of products.

6 **NORTHERN PULP** / NOVA SCOTIA / 330 EMPLOYEES (Curtailed) Production – **280,000 T Kraft pulp**

Over the past 50 years of managing lands in Nova Scotia, Northern Pulp has helped set aside over 60,000 hectares of high-value conservation lands to contribute to Nova Scotia's parks and protected areas. They have the largest nursery operation, growing six million trees annually for replanting. Northern Pulp is a leading producer of high quality northern bleached softwood kraft pulp and of 23 MW of electricity daily with the majority being green energy.

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