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EU approves SCA's acquisition of Georgia-Pacific's European tissue business

The European Commission has today, 5 July 2012, approved SCA's acquisition of Georgia-Pacific's European tissue business. The purchase price amounts to EUR 1.32 bn on a debt free basis. The operations have approximately 4,700 employees.

The acquisition confirms SCA's position as a European leader in the industry with an enhanced, integrated European tissue business and well-known brands.

Georgia-Pacific's European tissue business, which comprises of 15 plants located in seven countries and the well-known Lotus brand, will be transferred to SCA's ownership in connection with the closing of the deal which is expected 20 July.

EU's clearance requires divestment of Georgia-Pacific's consumer tissue business in the UK including production capacity, Georgia-Pacific's Benelux consumer tissue branded business under the Lotus brand and some of Georgia-Pacific's and SCA's retailer branded business in Scandinavia including production capacity.

See also previous press releases dated 10 November 2011 and 8 February 2012.

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