

Boxboard Europe

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Fire interrupts production at Stora Enso's Imatra mill in Finland

By Sharon Levrez - Thursday 20 August

A fire at Stora Enso's Imatra mill in eastern Finland interrupted production earlier this week, the company confirmed to Fastmarkets on Thursday August 20.

The fire broke out on Tuesday following a process failure in the recycling line for tall oil – a side product of pulp cooking that is used for making process chemicals for pulping. It was quickly brought under control, and no one was injured, a company spokesperson said.

“The fire damaged structures and cables in the area, which is why production was partially ramped down for damage assessment and remedial measures,” the spokesperson told Fastmarkets. “The gradual and safe ramp-up of production began yesterday, August 19.”

The Imatra mill has a capacity to produce 1.23 million tonnes per year of consumer packaging board and 1.3 million tpy of pulp.

The spokesperson did not say which production lines were affected, but confirmed that some lines were already fully operational again, while others were still getting back up to speed.

“Because we were able to quickly start resuming production and managing the supply chain, there was no significant impact on customer deliveries,” the spokesperson added.

FOLBB subsidiary Folding Boxboard Eerbeek cancels restart plans

By Daniela Wortmann - Friday 21 August

Folding Boxboard Eerbeek, the Dutch subsidiary of the German folding boxboard (FBB) producer FOLBB, has canceled its recently announced plans to restart operations.

The 150,000 tonne per year mill in Eerbeek, eastern Netherlands, filed for the initiation of insolvency proceedings in [late June](#) and [was supposed to be taken over](#) by entrepreneurs Richard Getkate and Siegfried Hohmann, but the deal was not completed within an agreed timeframe, according to local media reports, in which the bankruptcy trustee said that “the deadline [had] passed and... the purchase agreement was [now] off the table,”

“We regret to announce that the planned restart of the Eerbeek mill has been cancelled,” FOLBB said in a statement on social media on Thursday August 20.

“As a result, all activities at the Eerbeek site have been suspended with immediate effect. Further information will be shared when available,” the company added.

Regarding FOLBB's second FBB mill in Baiersbronn, southwestern Germany, which also filed for insolvency in late June, the company said that the situation remained unresolved.

“The trustees are continuing their work to assess the possibilities for a potential future of the site. At this stage, no further information is available,” FOLBB said.

The Baiersbronn and Eerbeek mills used to be part of Austria's Mayr-Melnhof Group until they were sold to a group of funds managed by Oaktree Capital Management in [August 2021](#) and jointly became FOLBB.

The Baiersbronn mill has a capacity of about 95,000 tpy and employs 210 people. The Eerbeek mill in the province of Gelderland was able to produce around 150,000 tpy of FBB and has 220 employees.

MM Board & Paper signs agreement to acquire RDM Arnsberg recycled cartonboard mill in Germany

By Daniela Wortmann - Monday 17 August

MM Board & Paper has signed an agreement with the RDM Group to acquire the RDM Arnsberg recycled fiber-based cartonboard mill in Germany, MM said on Monday August 17.

The Arnsberg mill has an annual production capacity of about 230,000 tonnes of recycled cartonboard and specializes in liner products.

“By integrating the Arnsberg mill into its established industrial platform in Germany, comprising several cartonboard mills and packaging plants, MM expects to realize significant synergies that should facilitate the turnaround of the mill,” MM said on Monday.

“In addition, the acquisition is expected to increase production flexibility, improve security of supply and further broaden the product and service offering for customers,” the company added.

All employees at the Arnsberg mill will be transferred to MM. The acquisition remains subject to antitrust approval and is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2026, Fastmarkets understands. The purchase price has not been disclosed.

Michele Bianchi, chief executive officer of RDM Group, commented: “The transaction represents an important step in the execution of our strategy. The sale of the Arnsberg business supports our objective of optimizing the group's business plan and focusing our efforts on those product categories and markets where we see the strongest prospects for sustainable growth, innovation and value creation. We are confident that MM Board & Paper is the right industrial player to support the future development of the Arnsberg business and its employees.”

Boxboard/Cartonboard Europe Key Attributes

Symbol	Description	Date	Price	+/-	Month	Monthly Average
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FP-CBB-0098	Cartonboard/boxboard, folding boxboard (GC2) 270-280 g, free delivered France, €/tonne	01 Aug 2026	980 - 1220	0 (0.00%)	Aug 2026	980 - 1220
FP-CBB-0100	Cartonboard/boxboard, folding boxboard (GC2) 270-280 g free delivered Germany €/tonne	01 Aug 2026	980 - 1210	0 (0.00%)	Aug 2026	980 - 1210
FP-CBB-0099	Cartonboard/boxboard, white-lined chipboard (GD2) 300 g, free delivered France, €/tonne	01 Aug 2026	700 - 740	0 (0.00%)	Aug 2026	700 - 740
FP-CBB-0101	Cartonboard/boxboard, white-lined chipboard (GD2) 300 g, free delivered Germany, €/tonne	01 Aug 2026	680 - 735	0 (0.00%)	Aug 2026	680 - 735

Boxboard/Cartonboard Germany Markets

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Boxboard/Cartonboard Spain Markets

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FP-CBB-0104	Cartonboard/boxboard, folding boxboard (GC2) 270-280 g, free delivered Spain, €/tonne	01 Jul 2026	970 - 1220	0 (0.00%)	Jul 2026	970 - 1220
FP-CBB-0105	Cartonboard/boxboard, white-lined chipboard (GD2) 300 g, free delivered Spain, €/tonne	01 Jul 2026	695 - 720	0 (0.00%)	Jul 2026	695 - 720

Boxboard/Cartonboard France Markets

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Boxboard/Cartonboard Italy Markets

Symbol	Description	Date	Price	+/-	Month	Monthly Average
FP-CBB-0102	Cartonboard/boxboard, folding boxboard (GC2) 270-280 g, free delivered Italy, €/tonne	01 Jul 2026	980 - 1220	0 (0.00%)	Jul 2026	980 - 1220
FP-CBB-0103	Cartonboard/boxboard, white-lined chipboard (GD2) 300 g, free delivered Italy, €/tonne	01 Jul 2026	680 - 730	0 (0.00%)	Jul 2026	680 - 730

Boxboard/Cartonboard UK Markets

Symbol	Description	Date	Price	+/-	Month	Monthly Average
FP-CBB-0094	Cartonboard/boxboard, folding boxboard (GC2) 270-280 g, free delivered United Kingdom, £/tonne	01 Aug 2026	990 - 1175	0 (0.00%)	Aug 2026	990 - 1175
FP-CBB-0095	Cartonboard/boxboard, folding boxboard (GC2) 270-280 g, free delivered United Kingdom, €/tonne	01 Aug 2026	1159 - 1375	3.5 (0.28%)	Aug 2026	1159 - 1375

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FP-CBB-0096	Cartonboard/boxboard, white-lined chipboard (GD2) 300 g, free delivered United Kingdom, £/tonne	01 Aug 2026	715 - 765	0 (0.00%)	Aug 2026	715 - 765
FP-CBB-0097	Cartonboard/boxboard, white-lined chipboard (GD2) 300 g, free delivered United Kingdom, €/tonne	01 Aug 2026	837 - 895	2 (0.23%)	Aug 2026	837 - 895