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Abstracts

Verso Paper Corp. Fundamental Company Report provides a complete overview of the company's affairs. All available data is presented in a comprehensive and easily accessed format. The report includes financial and SWOT information, industry analysis, opinions, estimates, plus annual and quarterly forecasts made by stock market experts. The report also enables direct comparison to be made between Verso Paper Corp. and its competitors. This provides our Clients with a clear understanding of Verso Paper Corp. position in the Paper and Forest Products Industry.

The report contains detailed information about Verso Paper Corp. that gives an unrivalled in-depth knowledge about internal business-environment of the company: data about the owners, senior executives, locations, subsidiaries, markets, products, and company history.

Another part of the report is a SWOT-analysis carried out for Verso Paper Corp.. It involves specifying the objective of the company's business and identifies the different factors that are favorable and unfavorable to achieving that objective. SWOT-analysis helps to understand company's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and possible threats against it.

The Verso Paper Corp. financial analysis covers the income statement and ratio trend-charts with balance sheets and cash flows presented on an annual and quarterly basis. The report outlines the main financial ratios pertaining to profitability, margin analysis, asset turnover, credit ratios, and company's long-



term solvency. This sort of company's information will assist and strengthen your company's decision-making processes.

In the part that describes Verso Paper Corp. competitors and the industry in whole, the information about company's financial ratios is compared to those of its competitors and to the industry. The unique analysis of the market and company's competitors along with detailed information about the internal and external factors affecting the relevant industry will help to manage your business environment. Your company's business and sales activities will be boosted by gaining an insight into your competitors' businesses.

Also the report provides relevant news, an analysis of PR-activity, and stock price movements. The latter are correlated with pertinent news and press releases, and annual and quarterly forecasts are given by a variety of experts and market research firms. Such information creates your awareness about principal trends of Verso Paper Corp. business.

About Verso Paper Corp.

Verso Paper Corp. produces and supplies coated papers to catalog and magazine publishers in North America.

Products

The company manufactures three main grades of paper: coated groundwood paper, coated freesheet paper and supercalendered paper. The company also produces Northern Bleached Hardwood Kraft (NBHK) pulp. It also manufactures rotogravure coated paper in North America.

Coated groundwood paper: Coated groundwood paper includes a fiber component produced through a mechanical pulping process. The use of such fiber results in a bulkier and opaque paper that is suited for applications where lighter weights and/or higher stiffness are required, such as catalogs and magazines. In addition to mechanical pulp, coated groundwood paper typically includes a kraft pulp component to improve brightness and print quality.

Coated freesheet paper: Coated freesheet paper is made from bleached kraft pulp, which is produced using a chemical process to break apart wood fibers and dissolve



impurities, such as lignin. Its coated freesheet papers are used principally for annual reports, brochures, and magazine covers.

Supercalendered paper: Supercalendered paper consists of groundwood fibers. Supercalendered papers are primarily used for retail inserts.

Pulp: The company produces and sells NBHK pulp. NBHK pulp is produced through the chemical kraft process using hardwoods. Kraft pulp is used to manufacture printing and writing paper grades and tissue products.

Other products: The company also offers recycled paper to help meet specific customer requirements. Additionally, it offers customized product solutions for strategic accounts by producing paper grades with customer-specified weight, brightness and pulp mix characteristics, providing customers with cost benefits and/or brand differentiation. It also offers uncoated printing papers and coated and uncoated flexible packaging papers.

Customers

The company sells and markets its products to approximately 100 customers which comprise approximately 670 end-user accounts. It serves the catalog, magazine, insert, and commercial printing markets. The company's major customer is International Paper Company. Other key customers include magazine publishers, such as Conde Nast Publications, Inc., Hearst Corporation, National Geographic Society, and Time Inc.; catalog producers, such as Avon Products, Inc. and Sears Holding Corporation; commercial printers, such as Quad/Graphics, Inc., and RR Donnelley & Sons Company; and paper merchants and brokers, such as A.T. Clayton & Co., Unisource Worldwide, Inc., and Clifford Paper, Inc.

Competition

The company's competitors include NewPage Corporation, Abitibi Bowater Inc., UPM-Kymmene Corporation, and Sappi Limited.

The above Company Fundamental Report is a half-ready report and contents are subject to change.

It means that we have all necessary data in our database to prepare the report but need **2-3 days** to complete it. During this time we are also updating the report with respect to the current moment. So, you can get all the most recent data available for the same



price. Please note that preparation of additional types of analyses requires extra time.



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ANALYSIS FEATURES

SWOT Analysis

SWOT, which stands for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats, is an analytical framework that identifies the internal and external factors that are favorable and unfavorable for a company.

Enhanced SWOT Analysis

Enhanced SWOT is a 3×3 grid that arranges strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats into one scheme:

How to use the strengths to take advantage of the opportunities?

How to use the strengths to reduce likelihood and impact of the threats?

How to overcome the weaknesses that obstruct taking advantage of the opportunities?

How to overcome the weaknesses that can make the threats a reality?

Upon answering these questions a company can develop a project plan to improve its business performance.

PESTEL Analysis

PESTEL (also termed as PESTLE) is an ideal tool to strategically analyze what influence different outside factors – political, economic, sociocultural, technological, environmental and legal – exert on a business to later chart its long term targets.

Being part of the external analysis when carrying out a strategic assessment or performing a market study, PESTEL gives an overview of diverse macro-environmental factors that any company should thoughtfully consider. By perceiving these outside environments, businesses can maximally benefit from the opportunities while minimizing the threats to the organization.



Key Factors Examined by PESTEL Analysis:

Political – What opportunities and pressures are brought by political bodies and what is the degree of public regulations' impact on the business?

Economic – What economic policies, trends and structures are expected to affect the organization, what is this influence's degree?

Sociological – What cultural and societal aspects will work upon the demand for the business's products and operations?

Technological – What impact do the technological aspects, innovations, incentives and barriers have on the organization?

Environmental – What environmental and ecological facets, both locally and farther afield, are likely to predetermine the business?

Legal – What laws and legislation will exert influence on the style the business is carried out?

IFE, EFE, IE Matrices

The Internal Factor Evaluation matrix (IFE matrix) is a strategic management tool helping audit or evaluate major weaknesses and strengths in a business's functional areas. In addition, IFE matrix serves as a basis for identifying and assessing relationships amongst those areas. The IFE matrix is utilised in strategy formulation.

The External Factor Evaluation matrix (EFE matrix) is a tool of strategic management that is typically utilised to assess current market conditions. It is an ideal instrument for visualising and prioritising the threats and opportunities a firm is facing.

The essential difference between the above mentioned matrices lies in the type of factors incorporated in the model; whilst the latter is engaged in internal factors, the former deals exceptionally with external factors – those exposed to social, political, economic, legal, etc. external forces.

Being a continuation of the EFE matrix and IFE matrix models, the Internal External matrix (IE matrix) rests upon an investigation of external and internal business factors



integrated into one suggestive model.

Porter Five Forces Analysis

The Porter's five forces analysis studies the industry of operation and helps the company find new sources of competitive advantage. The analysis surveys an industry through five major questions:

What composes a threat of substitute products and services?

Is there a threat of new competitors entering the market?

What is the intensity of competitive rivalry?

How big is the bargaining power of buyers?

How significant is the bargaining power of suppliers?

VRIO Analysis

VRIO stands for Value, Rarity, Imitability, Organization. This analysis helps to evaluate all company's resources and capabilities and bring them together into one aggregate table that includes:

Tangible resources

Financial

Physical

Technological

Organizational

Intangible resources

Human

Innovation and Creativity



Reputation

Organizational capabilities

The result of the analysis gives a clear picture of company's competitive and economic implications, answering the questions if the resources mentioned above are:

Valuable?
Rare?
Costly to imitate?
Organized properly?



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