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International Paper Russia honored with Corporate Social Responsibility Award

St. Petersburg – 21 April 2015 – International Paper has been recognized for its strong Corporate Social Responsibility program in Russia by the American Chamber of Commerce during an awards dinner hosted in St. Petersburg on April 21st 2015.

Maria Chernobrovkina, Executive Director, American Chamber of Commerce, St. Petersburg:
This Corporate Social Responsibility Award is in recognition of International Paper’s continued dedication to being a strong corporate citizen and to making an extremely positive and sustainable contribution to the local communities in which it operates. Not only is this important for the local communities themselves, but IP has also helped to set the standard for Corporate Social Responsibility in the paper industry as a whole. On behalf of American Chamber of Commerce I would like to congratulate International Paper with this well-deserved award.

Ksenia Sosnina, President, International Paper in Russia:
On behalf of the people of International Paper it is a great honour for us to receive this award, in recognition of how seriously we take CSR as a fundamental element of our sustainable development strategy in Russia. We have always believed that business, environmental and social interests are closely aligned – a belief that lies at the heart of our CSR strategy both in Russia and around the world. I would like to thank AmCham for their recognition, and to all of our employees for helping to make our goals a reality.

Since 1998, International Paper has invested more than 8.5 million dollars into social initiatives in Russia, with a particular focus on education, healthcare, culture and sports.

About International Paper

International Paper (NYSE: IP) is a global leader in packaging and paper with manufacturing operations in North America, Europe, Latin America, Russia, Asia and North Africa. Its businesses include industrial and consumer packaging along with uncoated papers and pulp. Headquartered in Memphis, Tenn., the company employs approximately 58,000 people and is strategically located in more than 24 countries serving customers worldwide. International Paper net sales for 2014 were $24 billion. For more information about International Paper, its products and stewardship efforts, visit internationalpaper.com.

About International Paper Russia

International Paper started its operations in Russia in 1998. The company focuses on the production and marketing of office and offset papers, liquid packaging board and bleached chemical thermo-mechanical pulp with wholly owned manufacturing operations in Svetogorsk. The company’s Russian footprint also includes a 50:50 joint venture with the Ilim Group, the largest integrated paper and pulp manufacturer in Russia. International Paper’s most well-known brands in Russia are Ballet and SvetoCopy.

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