Press release

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**International Paper helps support vulnerable residents of Vyborg District**

*Svetogorsk – 17 March 2016 –* International Paper has held a charity campaign to support residents of Vyborg District, where the company’s pulp and paper mill is located.

More than 4,500 sets of new clothes were donated as part of the campaign. Help was provided to Vyborg Orphanage and its Lesogorsk branch, the “Welcome!” social support centre in Svetogorsk, as well as also Kamenorgorsk home for elderly and disabled people. International Paper has been providing comprehensive support for the region’s social institutions for more than 15 years. This campaign is a part of International Paper’s social programme in Russia.

**Ksenia Sosnina, President of International Paper Russia, said:**

“At International Paper we focus our charitable efforts on the critical needs of communities where our employees live and work. This campaign is International Paper’s latest step to support the Svetogorsk residents in need. I am grateful to all our colleagues and staff who graciously supported the company’s initiative to help those who desperately needed our help.”

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**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 55,000 people and is strategically located in more than 24 countries serving customers worldwide. International Paper net sales for 2015 were $22 billion. For more information about International Paper, its products and global citizenship 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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