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International Paper brings Svetogorsk community together at the first environmental roundtable

Svetogorsk – 29 June 2016 — Based on the social responsibility principles, ZAO International Paper initiated and organized the first roundtable, dedicated to the matters of ecology and environmental protection in Svetogorsk, which was held on 29 June. All stakeholders, including representatives of the local authorities, NGOs, media, as well as local residents and the mill’s employees, were invited to participate in the event.

At the event, the management team of ZAO International Paper presented detailed results of the company’s environmental initiatives, including:

- Reduced water consumption by 7% in 2015 against 2014
- Reduced air emissions, due to implementation of projects aimed at modernization of dust- and gas-cleaning units
- Continued operations of the industrial laboratory (two fixed monitoring stations and a mobile laboratory) enabling prompt and accurate control of air quality
- Improved waste management thanks to separate collection and recycling of waste
- Environmental projects, including a clean-up event and tree planting

Furthermore, the management presented its plans to further minimize the company’s negative impact on environment and to improve the quality of life for the town’s residents and the mill’s employees. Current and future initiatives are aimed at further reduction in fresh water consumption, in pollution level of the mill’s waste water, in emissions and in the noise level.

David Hunt, Executive Director of ZAO International Paper, said:

“The first environmental roundtable is a significant event for Svetogorsk. Not only we presented our completed and planned initiatives, but also received a valuable feedback from all the groups of stakeholders.

“I am grateful to all participants of the roundtable for maintaining an active dialog and I believe that the further implementation of our environmental projects will enable us to achieve even more successful results and to improve the quality of life for Svetogorsk residents.”

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About International Paper Russia

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