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Graz, 15 April 2005. Marusumi Paper, one of Japans major integrated newsprint producers, selected Andritz to deliver a new pulp fiberline and chemical recovery systems for its Ohe mill on Shikoku Island. Andritz will deliver the project on an Engineer-Procure-Construct (EPC) basis.

With this new Andritz line, Marusumi Paper will replace the mills present pulping capacity of 100,000 with the new lines 252,000 t/a capacity. The value of the order is approximately 100 MEUR, and the line is scheduled to start-up in the second Quarter of 2007.

The fiberline system, which consists of a continuous digester, brownstock washing system, bleach plant, evaporation plant, recaustizing plant and lime kiln, will operate on both hardwood and softwood to meet the raw material requirements of the paper machines at Marusumis Kawanoe and Ohe mills.

Marusumi Paper is very conscious of the environment and selected Andritz as its key supplier because the processes offered by Andritz incorporate the most modern, efficient, and environmentally friendly technologies: minimizing bleaching chemical costs and fiber damage, and decreasing the mills effluent volume to a minimum.

Wolfgang Leitner, President & CEO of the Andritz Group said: "The investment of Marusumi has been the largest made by the Japanese pulp and paper industry for many years. We are proud that we were chosen by Marusumi as their single supplier for this project."

About the Andritz Group

Publicly listed Andritz Group is a global market leader for advanced production systems for pulp and paper, steel and other specialized industries. Andritz has about 5,300 employees worldwide. It develops and makes its high-tech systems at 15 production sites (Austria, Germany, Finland, Denmark, France, Netherlands, USA, Canada, and China).

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