



AT-A-GLANCE

# Quinnesec Mill

Verso Corporation is a leading American owned and operated producer of graphic, specialty and packaging paper and market pulp.



## Quinnesec, Michigan

The Quinnesec Mill is located in the southeast corner of Dickinson County bordered by the towns of Iron Mountain, Kingsford and Norway with the Menominee River to the south. Established in 1985, the Quinnesec Mill was initially started to produce pulp and began making paper in 1990.



### OUR COMMUNITY

Together with our employees, the Quinnesec Mill supports a wide range of community organizations and events with a focus on education, sustainability and local health and human service needs. The mill's community participation is driven by our employees who generously contribute their time and talents in various company-sponsored and individual volunteer efforts to enhance the quality of life in Quinnesec and the surrounding area.

## 1985

The Quinnesec Mill has continued to thrive as the economic anchor of Dickinson County for more than three decades. Since 2001, the mill has been certified as an Occupational Safety and Health Administration Star facility under the Michigan Voluntary Protection Program (MVPP). The MVPP Star award is the state's highest recognition for workplace safety programs and performance.

## 420

### PEOPLE

The Quinnesec Mill employs approximately 420 people.

## 670,000

### TONS OF PAPER AND PULP PER YEAR

The Quinnesec Mill has the capacity to produce approximately 430,000 tons of graphic paper per year used primarily in marketing applications, including magazines, catalogs, books and commercial printing. The mill also produces 240,000 tons of Northern Bleached Hardwood Kraft (NBHK) pulp used in printing, writing, specialty and packaging paper, facial and toilet tissue, and paper towels.

## 2,200

### ACRES

The Quinnesec Mill encompasses 2200 acres and has one paper machine and a pulp dryer and is a fully-integrated mill producing its own wood chips, pulp and power.

## ZERO INJURIES GOAL

Verso's steadfast commitment to being "safe from the start" permeates our culture and drives our effort to reduce injuries at the Quinnesec Mill. Our entire workforce is dedicated to promoting a safe work environment for our employees and the community, with all employees working together to achieve a common safety goal: zero injuries.



Papermaking is a resource-intensive business. At the Quinnesec Mill, our goal is to use these resources – trees, water, energy and chemicals – as efficiently as possible while assuring that we don't harm the environment along the way. This is the core of our sustainability philosophy... making the products our customers need while leaving the smallest possible footprint behind. Verso's sustainability principles, which focus on responsible sourcing, environmental and safety improvement, product stewardship, stakeholder partnerships and transparency, serve as guideposts on our path to a sustainable future. Using continuous improvement as the yardstick to gauge our progress, our mill team is dedicated to doing what's right for our company, our community and our planet.

#### VERSO'S SUSTAINABILITY PRINCIPLES:

- Procure wood only from sustainably managed forests
- Continue to improve the environmental and safety performance of our operations
- Develop innovative products that provide both economic and environmental benefit
- Partner with customers and other important stakeholders on sustainability issues
- Continue to evaluate and report progress toward our sustainability goals



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## Responsibly Sourced Fiber

Verso actively monitors the forestry practices associated with tree harvests to help assure that the fiber in our products is legally sourced from responsibly managed forests and meets the criteria in Verso's Wood Fiber Procurement Policy, a policy that complies with the harvested wood requirements of the U.S. Lacey Act. Verso is committed to sourcing third-party certified and chain-of-custody (CoC) certified fiber in our products. All of Verso's mills have been independently audited and certified to the Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC® - C014984), Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification™ (PEFC/29-31-12) and Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI - 00081) CoC standards.

## Manufacturing Excellence

Verso's operational excellence model is the core of our operations strategy. The model focuses on three key objectives: making best practices common practices, supporting and enabling our managers to lead continuous improvement, and providing an integrated set of tools to aid our improvement efforts.

Benchmarking brings the model to life. At the Quinnesec Mill, we benchmark our current manufacturing practices against world-class practices to identify opportunities for improvement, and then develop targeted action plans to close the realizable gap between the two. The end goal is for a highly skilled, fully committed team to provide superior products and services to our customers.

The Quinnesec Mill is certified to the ISO 14001-2015 standard, which specifies the requirements for an environmental management system that an organization can use to enhance its environmental performance. The mill is also recognized as a Clean Corporate Citizen (C3). The C3 program is built on the concept that Michigan establishments that consistently demonstrate environmental stewardship and pollution prevention can be relied upon to carry out their environmental protection responsibilities without rigorous oversight.

