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# Q1 FY23 financial results

### Forward-looking statements and Regulation G disclosure

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- The highly cyclical nature of the pulp and paper industry (and the factors that contribute to such cyclicality, such as levels of demand, production capacity, production, input costs including raw material, energy and employee costs, and pricing)
- The impact on our business of adverse changes in global economic conditions
- The COVID-pandemic
- Unanticipated production disruptions (including as a result of planned or unexpected power outages)
- · Changes in environmental, tax and other laws and regulations
- Adverse changes in the markets for our products
- The emergence of new technologies and changes in consumer trends including increased preferences for digital media
- Consequences of our leverage, including as a result of adverse changes in credit markets that affect our ability to raise capital when needed
- Adverse changes in the political situation and economy in the countries in which we operate or the effect of governmental efforts to address present or future economic or social problems
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Reconciliation's of certain of the non-GAAP measures to the corresponding GAAP measures can be found in the quarterly results booklet for the relevant period.

These booklets are available on our website: <u>https://www.sappi.com/quarterly-reports</u>

### **Highlights** Q1 FY23 Excluding special items\*



Best ever first quarter<br/>EBITDA\* US\$290m• Y-o-y\*\* pricing gains for paper products offset cost inflation<br/>and lower sales volumesProfit for the quarter<br/>US\$190m• Market demand began to soften during the quarter

- Rapid downstream inventory accumulation
- Slower global economy

• EBITDA\* +21% y-o-y\*\*

Net debt to EBITDA

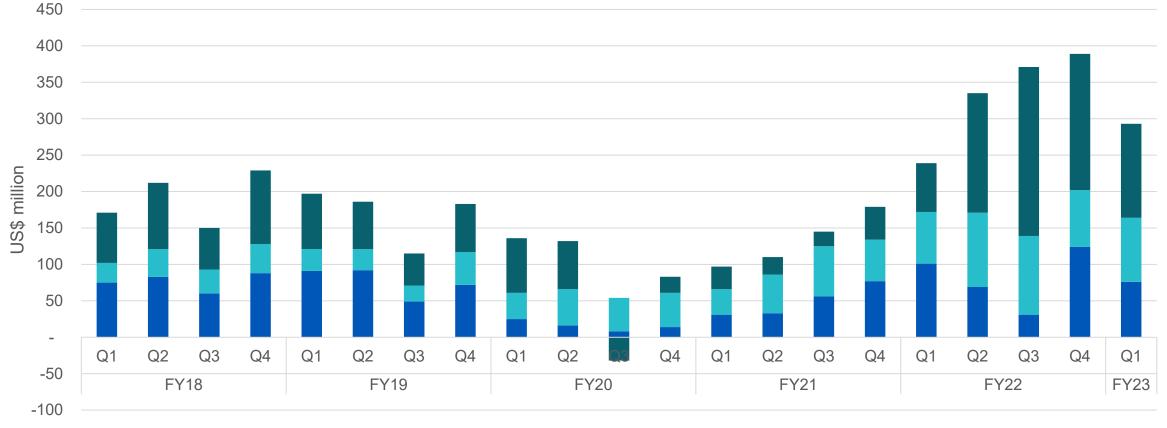
EPS\* 30 US cents

0.9x

\*\* Q1 FY23 versus Q1 FY22.

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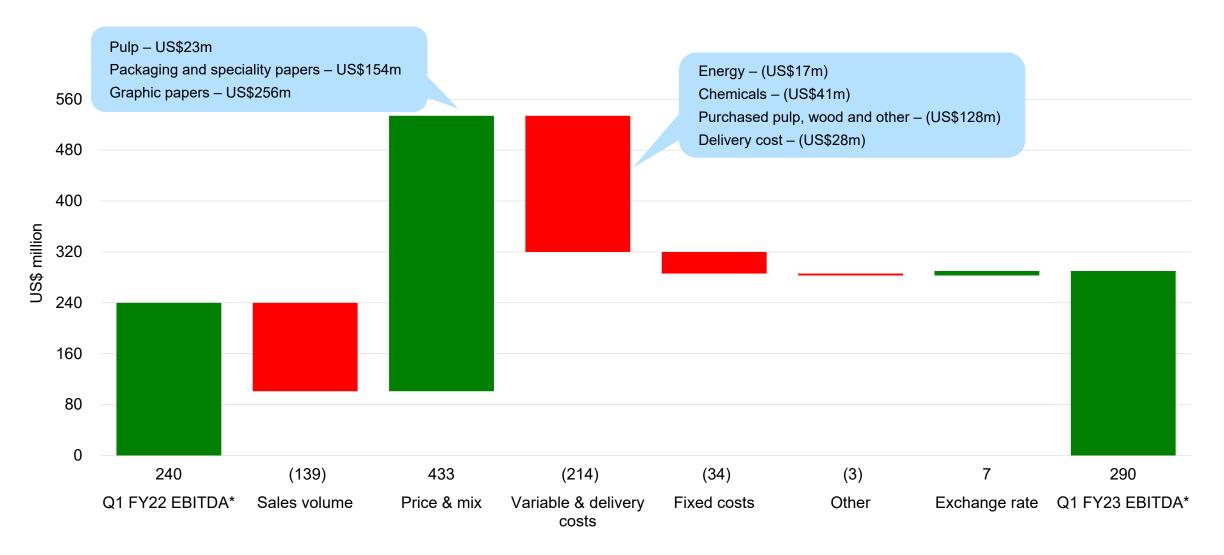
### **EBITDA\* contribution split**



■ Pulp ■ Packaging and speciality papers ■ Graphic papers

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### EBITDA\* reconciliation Q1 FY22 to Q1 FY23



1. All variances were calculated excluding forestry operations.

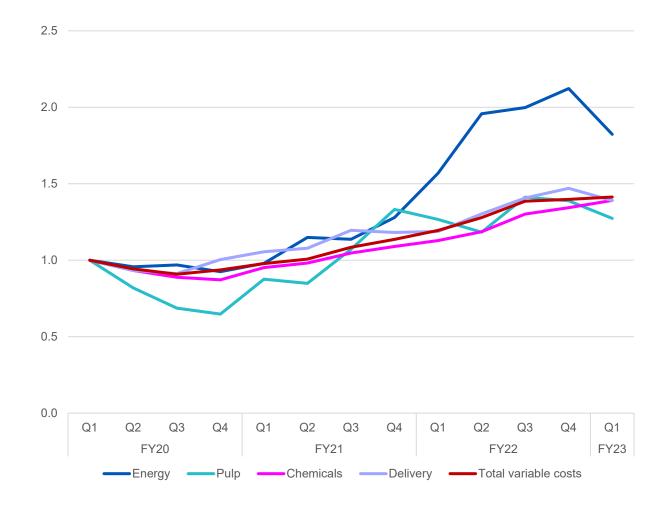
2. Currency conversion reflects translation and transactional effect on consolidation.

3. \* = excluding special items.

### **Cost inflation developments**

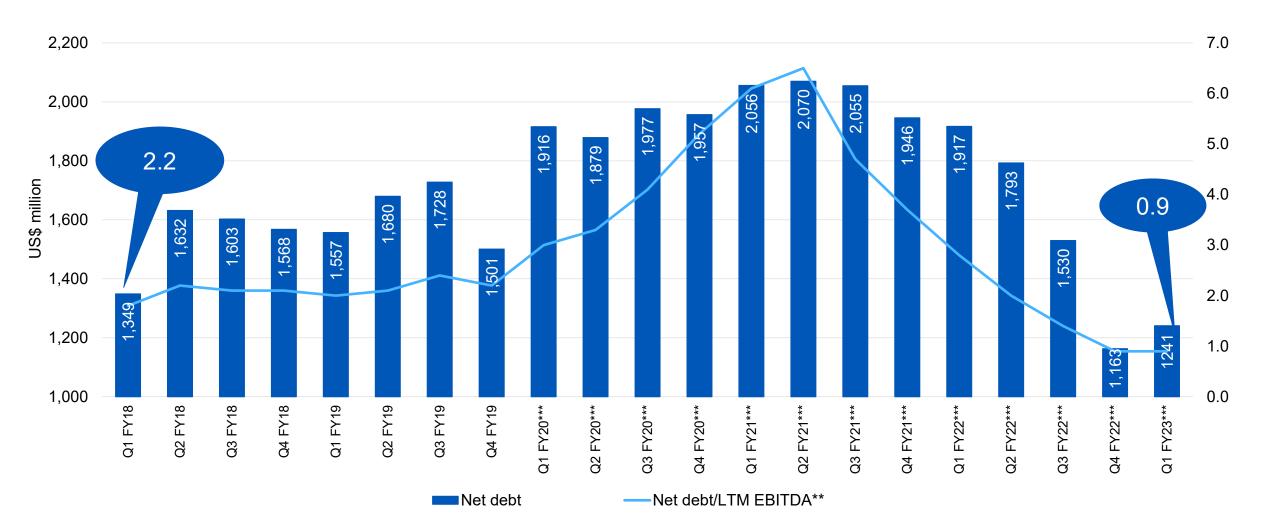


Major variable input cost/ton impact on the Group since Q1 FY2020



- Energy +82%
  - Largely due to the Russian-Ukrainian conflict
- Pulp +27%
- Chemicals +39%
- Delivery +39%
  - Global logistical challenges and fuel inflation negatively impacted delivery costs
- Total variable costs +41%

### Net debt/EBITDA\* development



\* EBITDA excluding special items.

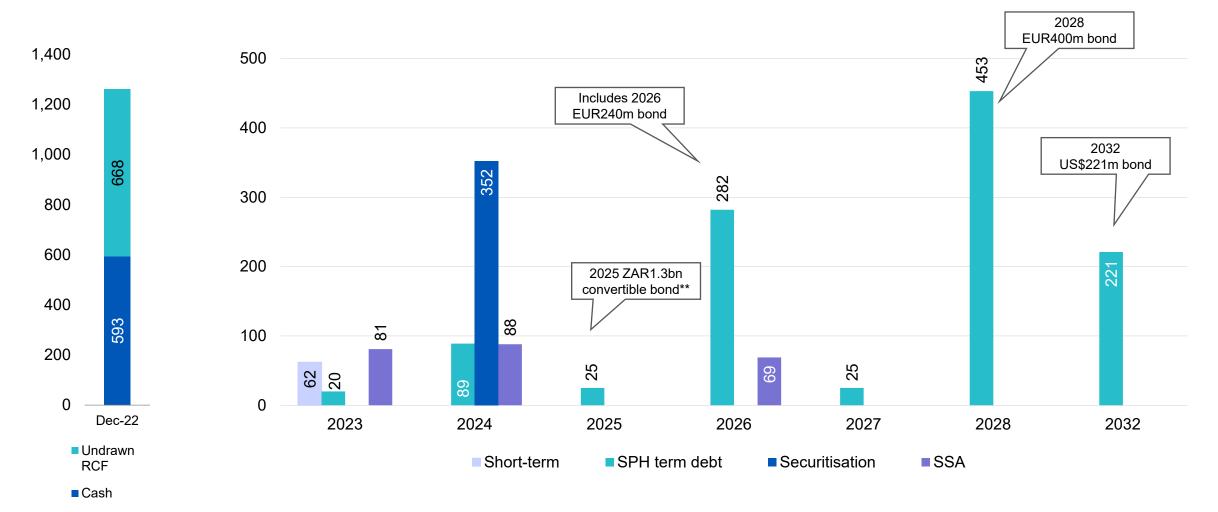
\*\* The covenant Net debt/LTM EBITDA calculation has adjustments and therefore differs from that shown above.

\*\*\* Quarters impacted by IFRS 16 leases (Q1 FY23 ~US\$85m) and Matane Mill acquisition (Q1 FY20 US\$158m).

### Debt maturity profile\* Fiscal years

Liquidity, US\$ millions

Debt Maturity , US\$ millions

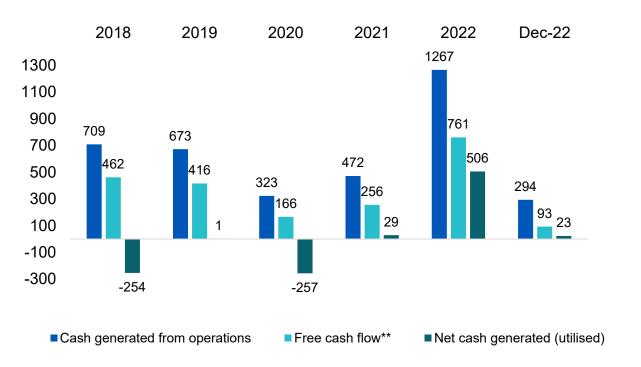


Excludes US\$85 million in IFRS 16 leases; average time to maturity of approximately four years.

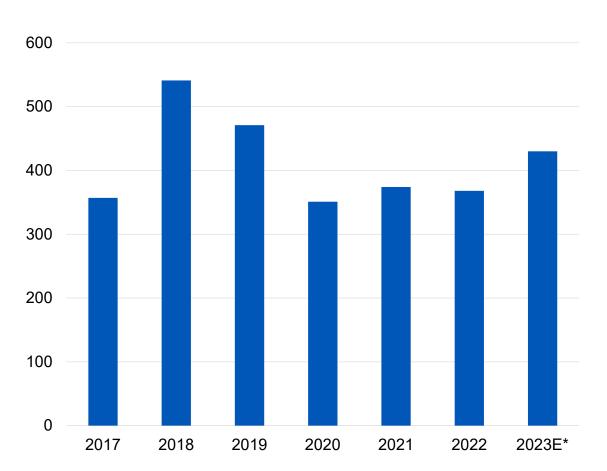
\*\* SSA issued five-year convertible bonds in 2020 with a principal amount of ZAR1.8 billion. The bonds are convertible into ordinary shares of Sappi Limited. The Group has received conversion notices for the convertible bonds of just over 32% of the initial offering of ZAR1.8 billion.

### **Cash flow and Capex**

#### Cash Flow, US\$ millions



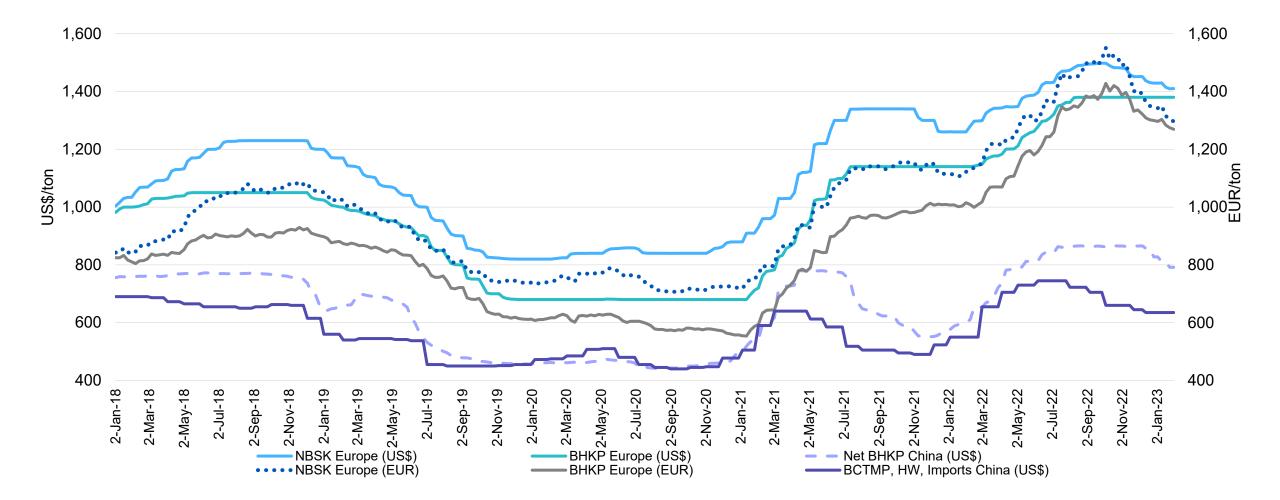
#### Capital Expenditure, US\$ millions



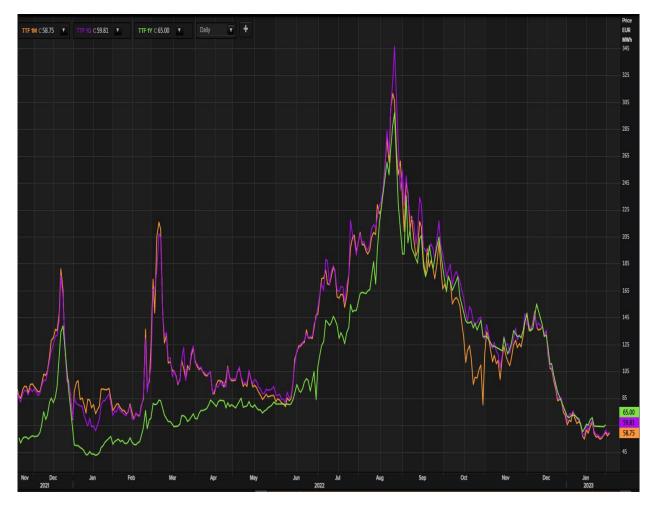
- \* Capital expenditure in FY2023 is estimated to be US\$430million and includes approximately US\$70 million for Somerset PM2 conversion, US\$60 million for sustainability projects and US\$20 million capex spill over from FY2022
- \*\* Free cash flow = Cash generated from operations less working capital less maintenance and regulatory/environmental capex

### Paper pulp Prices

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### **Energy price developments**



- Milder than anticipated winter season reduced demand
- Sufficient LNG supply as well as pipeline supply from Norway
- Continued high storage levels across Europe
- Effective gas replacement by coal, nuclear and biomass
- High renewable power generation

# Segmental overview

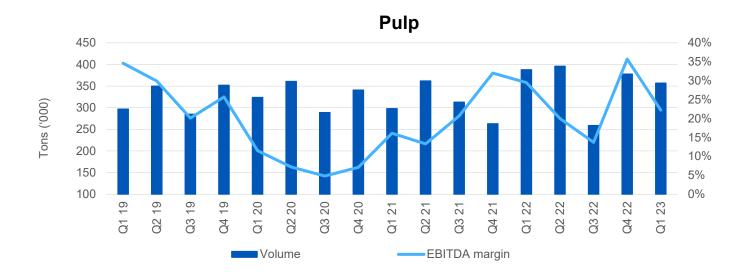
### **Pulp** Highlights Q1 FY23

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Sales tons -8% year-on-year\*\*

Price per ton +9% year-on-year\*\*

### EBITDA\* margin 22%



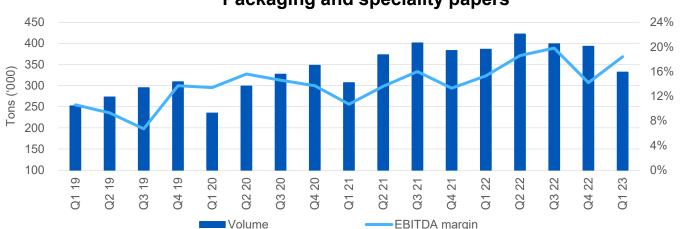
- Net average sales price +9% y-o-y\*\*
- Reduced profitability due to higher costs and lower sales volumes
- Weaker sentiment in textile value chain due to high retail inventories and recessionary fears

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### **Packaging and speciality papers** Highlights Q1 FY23

Sales tons -14% year-on-year\*\* Price per ton +20% year-on-year\*\*

### EBITDA\* margin 18.4%



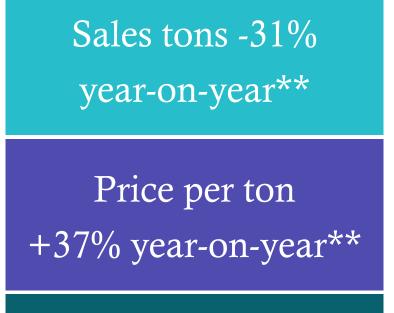
Packaging and speciality papers

- Underlying demand relatively stable
- High inventory levels with customers
- Selling price realisation supported y-o-y\*\* margin expansion
- EBITDA\* +24% y-o-y\*\*

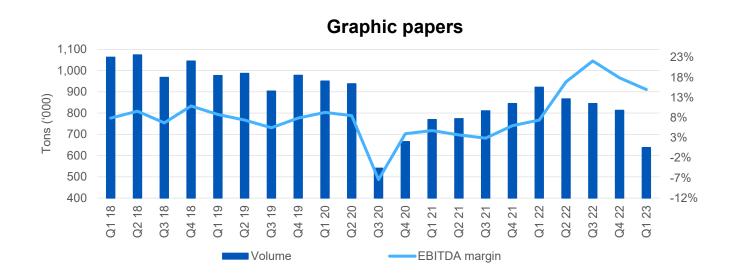
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\*\* Q1 FY23 vs Q1 FY22.

### **Graphic papers** Highlights Q1 FY23



EBITDA\* margin 15.0%



- Weaker market conditions
- High inventory levels with merchants and printers
- Production rates optimised to match sales
- Prior year price increases neutralised impact of cost inflation and lower sales volumes
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#### \*\* Q1 FY23 vs Q1 FY22.

### **Sappi Europe** Highlights Q1 FY23

Sales tons -32% year-on-year\*\*

Price per ton (EUR) +56% year-on-year\*\*

### EBITDA\* margin 11.6%

- Y-o-y\*\* pricing gains offset cost inflation
- Lower demand occurred across all product categories
- Operations curtailed to match demand and manage working capital
- Selling prices remained stable q-o-q\*\*

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### **Sappi North America** Highlights Q1 FY23

Sales tons -17% year-on-year\*\*

Price per ton (US\$) +23% year-on-year\*\*

EBITDA\* margin 21.7%

- Another strong performance
- Selling price gains offset cost inflation
- Production was adjusted to match softening demand towards latter part of the quarter
- Successful completion of reel upgrade project at Cloquet and annual maintenance outage at Somerset

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### **Sappi Southern Africa** Highlights Q1 FY23

Sales tons\*\* -6% year-on-year\*\*\*

Price per ton (ZAR)\*\* +22% year-on-year\*\*\*

# EBITDA\* margin 22.9%

- Significant y-o-y\*\* cost inflation impacted profitability
- Good progress was made shipping DP from the Maputo port
- Tight containerboard markets created robust demand for our packaging grades
- Improved office paper and newsprint sales volumes and pricing improved profitability in the graphic paper segment

\*\* Sales tons and price per ton excludes forestry operations.

\*\*\* Q1 FY23 vs Q1 FY22.

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### **Our business strategy** Thrive25



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| What this means  | Short-term objectives   |
| <ul> <li>Drive operational excellence</li> <li>Strengthen our safety-first culture.</li> <li>Continuously improve our cost position.</li> <li>Continue to maximise the benefits of our global footprint.</li> <li>Best-in-class production efficiencies.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Achieve zero fatalities and at least 10% reduction in LTIFR pa.</li> <li>Maximise production outputs</li> <li>Gain cost advantage through global footprint</li> <li>Optimise supply chain and customer service</li> </ul>  |
| <ul> <li>Enhance trust</li> <li>Improving our understanding of and proactively partnering with all stakeholders.</li> <li>Driving sustainability solutions.</li> <li>Meeting the changing needs of every Sappi employee.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Validated science-based decarbonisation targets</li> <li>Implement the TCFD<sup>(2)</sup> recommendations</li> <li>Expand Supplier Code of Conduct</li> <li>Maintain forestry certification and B-BBEE in SA</li> <li>Sustain and/or improve employee engagement</li> <li>Sustainability capex spend ~US\$70m per annum</li> </ul>   |
| <ul> <li>Grow our business</li> <li>Grow DP capacity, matching market demand.</li> <li>Continue to expand and grow packaging and speciality papers (P&amp;SP) in all regions.</li> <li>Further commercialisation of biotech opportunities.</li> <li>Reduce exposure to declining graphic papers business.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Continue to grow and optimise packaging and specialty papers <ul> <li>Wet-glue and self adhesive labelling at Gratkorn Mill</li> <li>New coater installed for functional papers at Alfeld Mill</li> <li>Debottlenecking Somerset PM1 (30ktpa)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Maximise DP volumes to capacity <ul> <li>Disposal of three graphic paper mills in Europe</li> <li>Continue to grow and advance other biotech opportunities</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| <ul> <li>Sustain our financial health</li> <li>Target net debt: EBITDA<sup>(1)</sup> at 1.5x.</li> <li>Reduce absolute debt level and improve EBITDA.</li> <li>Optimise capital management.</li> <li>Optimise debt maturity profile and finance charges.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Focus on managing fixed and variable costs</li> <li>Sustain and improve our margins</li> <li>Optimise graphic paper business</li> <li>Focus on maximising cash generation through efficient capex<br/>and working capital management</li> <li>Target net debt of approximately US\$1bn</li> <li>SPH RCF renewed to 2027 with sustainability linked KPIs</li> </ul>   |
| * Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation.  | 19  |

- (1) EBITDA = EBITDA excluding special items.
- <sup>(2)</sup> TCFD = Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures.

Sustainability is at the core of our business.

We understand that the long-term sustainability of our business will only be ensured by delivering sustained value for our stakeholders.



### **ESG - continuously rethinking what we do and how we do it** Sustainability is embedded into Sappi's business and work culture

#### Sappi's commitment to sustainable growth



- Sappi Forests: 100% FSC certified,
- Sappi Forests: 100% PEFC certified



independent rating agency EcoVadis

MSCI rating improved to A (May 2022)

B- (Dec 2022)

Series (Juln2022)

Awarded Platinum Level in sustainability performance by

Rated 'Prime' by Oekom Research, improved from C+ to

Report to the CDP (<u>www.cdp.net/en</u>) under its *climate* change (2022 B), forest (2022 A-) and water (2022 B-)

programmes making our responses publicly available

Confirmed as a constituent of the FTSE4Good Index

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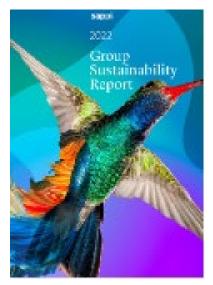


- SCIENCE BASED TARGETS
- Level 1 B-BBEE Contributor
- Sappi Southern Africa is a <u>Level 1</u> Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment contributor (2022)

Validated Science-Based GHG reduction target



Sappi 2022 Annual Integrated Report



Sappi 2022 Sustainability Report

### Our Science-Based Targets have been approved

#### **Emission reduction targets**

Approved by the SBTi as consistent with levels required to meet the goals of the Paris Agreement

#### **Greenhouse gas emissions**

Our operations (scopes 1 and 2) are consistent with reductions required to keep warming to well below 2°C

#### **Our commitment**

- Reduce scope 1 and scope 2 GHG emissions 41.5% per ton of product by 2030 from a 2019 base year\*.
- 44% of our suppliers by spend will have science-based targets by 2026.

\*The target boundary includes biogenic emissions and removals from bioenergy feedstocks.



#### **Our FY2022 Performance**

Scope 1 and 2 emissions -4.5% y-o-y -9.4% from base year

#### Scope 3 26% of our suppliers by spend have science-based targets

# Outlook



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### Demand

- The short term outlook is expected to be negatively impacted by the combination of the final phase of the downstream inventory destocking cycle, the resulting impact on sales volumes across all market segments and the relatively high cost base – albeit this is starting to turn
- Cost inflation expected to recede in FY2023
- Lower European natural gas prices are expected to have a positive impact on European costs
- Global pulp prices expected to decline; US and Europe lag Asia, therefore it may take time for benefits to be realised
- Delivery costs are anticipated to reduce through FY2023
- Chemical costs have started to decline

### Cost inflation

### **Outlook** Continued

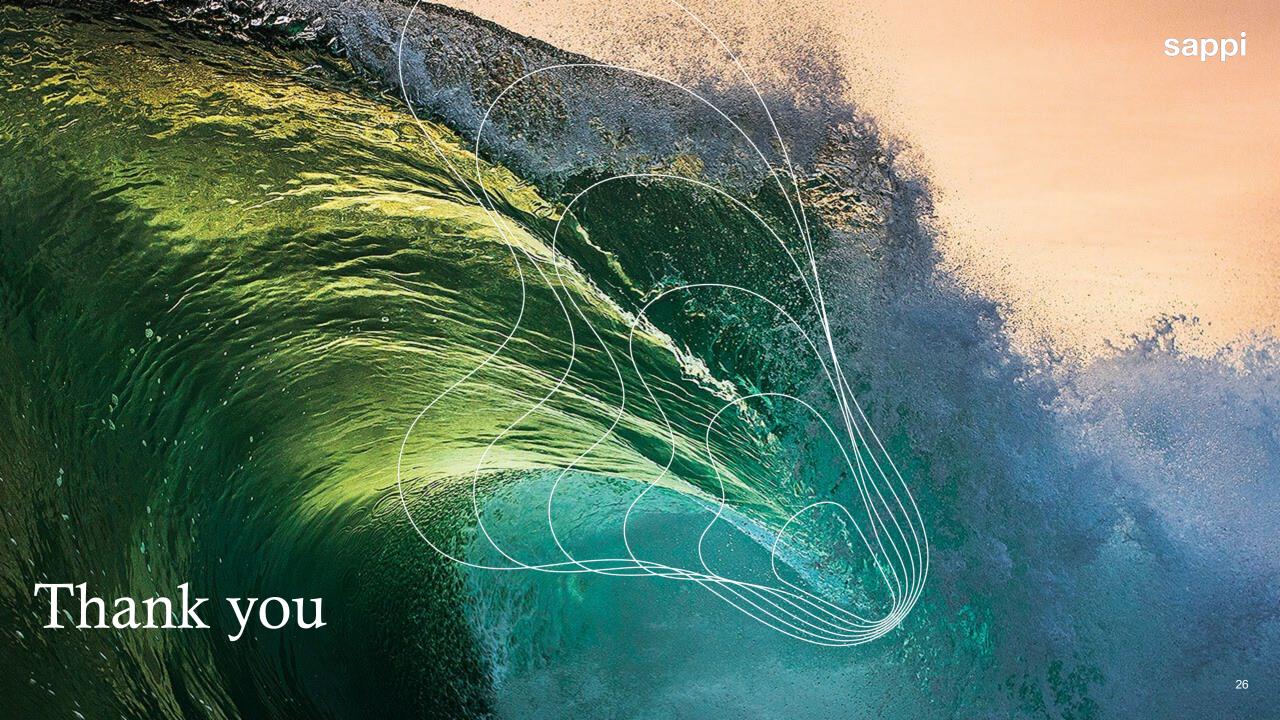
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### European divestment

Capital expenditure

### Overall impact on Q2 FY23

- The transaction is expected to close during the second quarter. The cash proceeds and receivables will be collected in the second and third quarter
- Capital expenditure in FY2023 is estimated to be US\$430 million; includes US\$70 million for the Somerset PM2 conversion and expansion project
- Factoring in the protracted macroeconomic uncertainty, and coming off three quarters of outperformance, we anticipate a return to a normalised level of earnings in FY2023. The second quarter will likely be the most challenging with a recovery in earnings expected later in the financial year
- EBITDA for the second quarter of FY2023 is expected to be below that of the first quarter

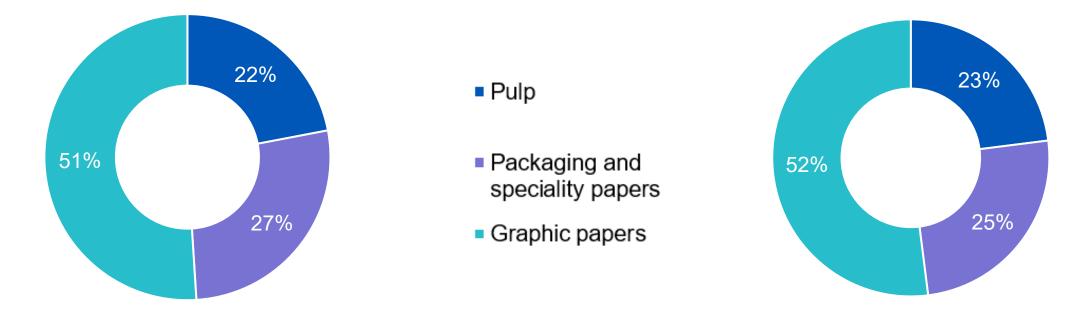


# Supplementary information

### **Product contribution split** Last twelve months

#### EBITDA\* excluding special items

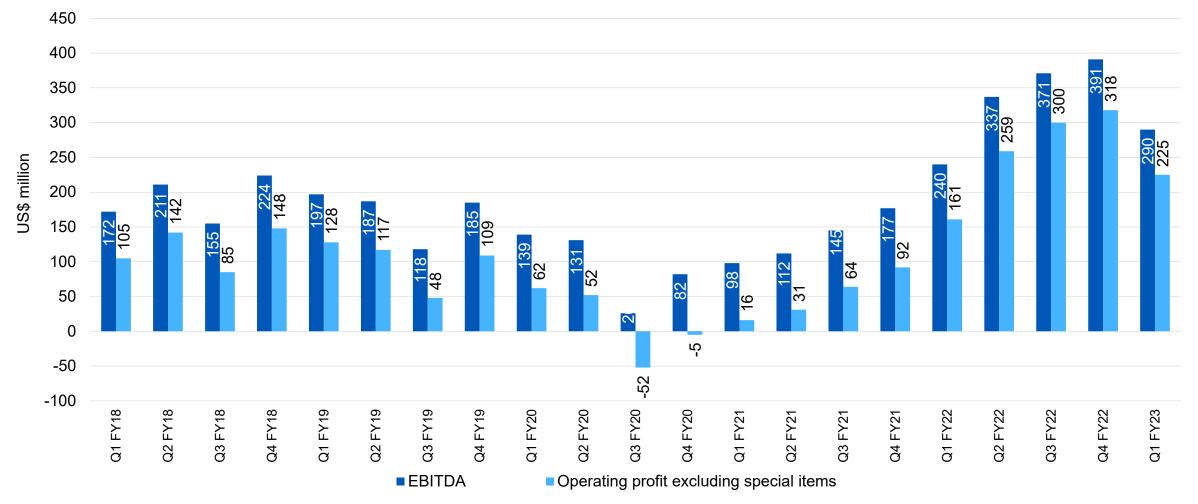
Sales volumes\*\*



\*\* Sales volumes exclude forestry operations.

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### **EBITDA and operating profit** Excluding special items\*



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### Packaging and speciality papers Production facilities





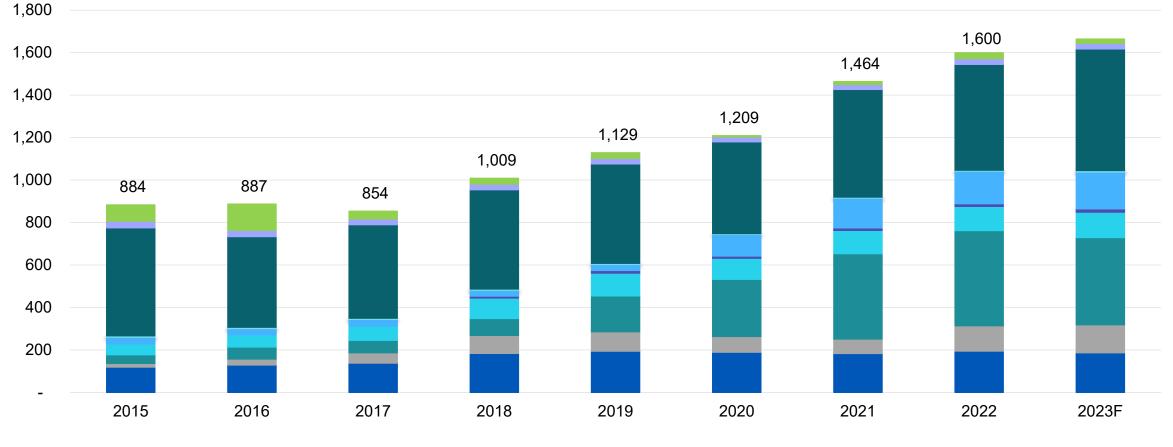
### Packaging and speciality papers Product portfolio



| Flexible packaging papers  | Functional papers   | Containerboard        | Paperboard          | Label papers | Silicone base<br>papers | Dye sublimation papers | Casting and release papers |
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### **Packaging and speciality papers** Volume growth 2015 to 2023

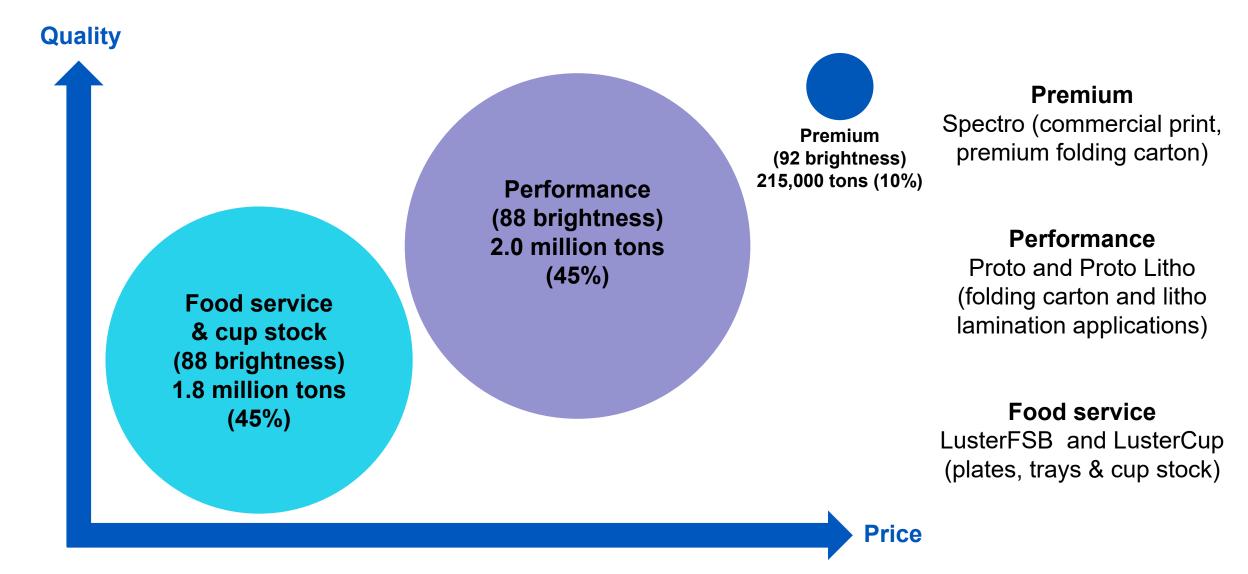




■ Flexpack ■ Label ■ Paperboard ■ Self-adhesives ■ Digital imaging ■ Functional papers ■ Casting ■ Containerboard ■ Tissue ■ Other

### Paperboard segments North America



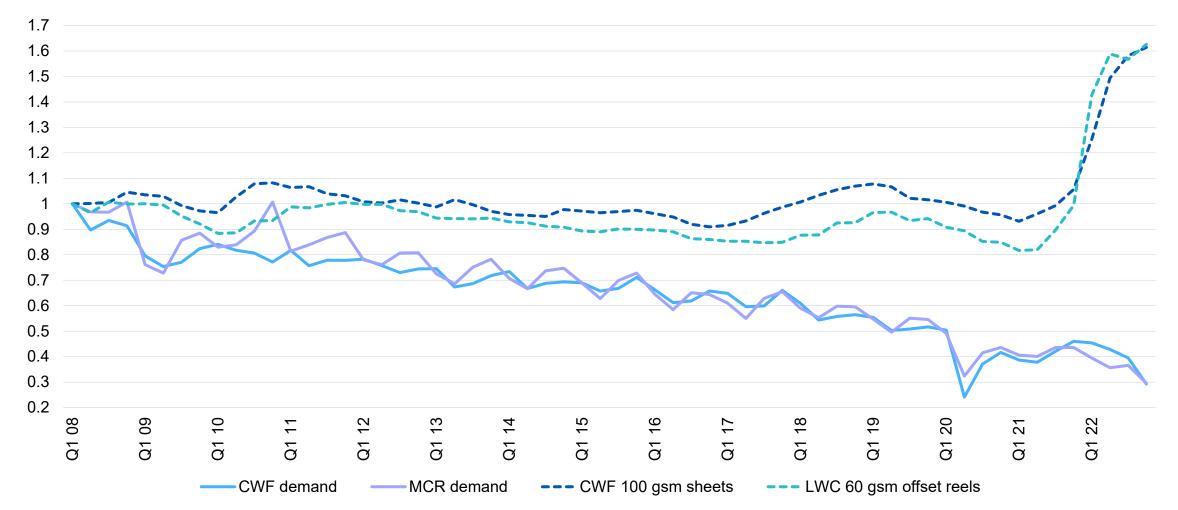


### Sappi Europe

|   | Q1 FY23 | Q4 FY22 | Q1 FY22 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|
| Tons sold ('000)                                  | 568     | 757     | 837     |
| - Packaging and speciality papers                 | 124     | 153     | 153     |
| - Graphic papers                                  | 444     | 604     | 684     |
| Sales (EURm)                                      | 783     | 982     | 740     |
| Price/Ton (EUR)                                   | 1,379   | 1,297   | 884     |
| Cost/Ton* (EUR)                                   | 1,250   | 1,162   | 871     |
| Operating profit excluding special items** (EURm) | 73      | 102     | 11      |
| EBITDA excluding special items** (EURm)           | 91      | 130     | 40      |

 <sup>\*</sup> Sales less operating profit excluding special items divided by tons sold.
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### **Coated paper** Deliveries and prices Western Europe\*



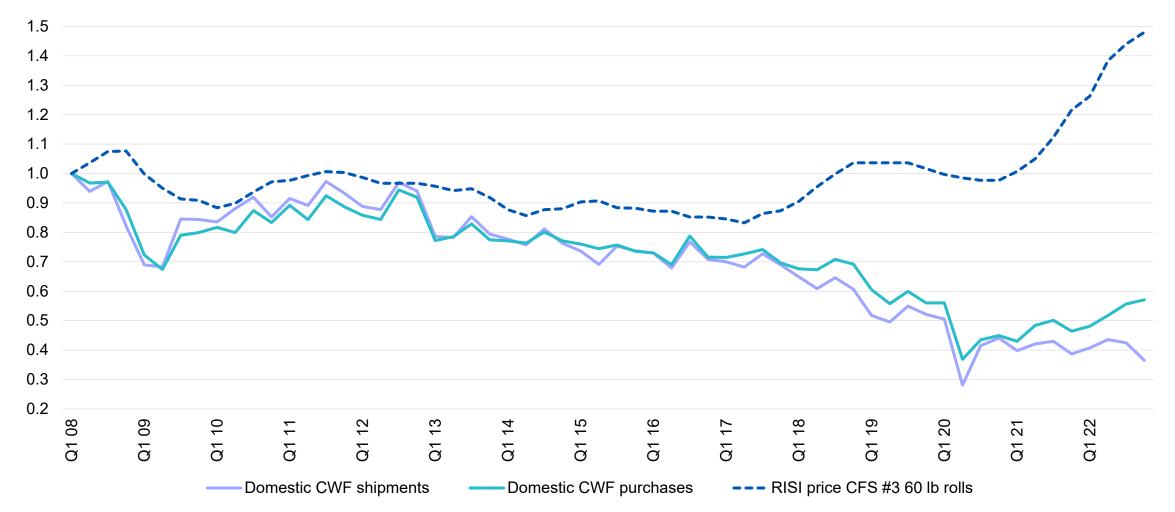
\* Western Europe shipments including export.

Source: Cepifine, Cepiprint and RISI indexed to 1Q 2008.

|  | Q1 FY23 | Q4 FY22 | Q1 FY22 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|
| Tons sold ('000)                                   | 378     | 423     | 453     |
| - Pulp   | 114     | 111     | 135     |
| - Packaging and speciality papers                  | 111     | 135     | 123     |
| - Graphic papers                                   | 153     | 177     | 195     |
| Sales (US\$m)                                      | 526     | 586     | 512     |
| Price/Ton (US\$)                                   | 1,392   | 1,385   | 1,130   |
| Cost/Ton* (US\$)                                   | 1,151   | 1,099   | 991     |
| Operating profit excluding special items** (US\$m) | 91      | 121     | 63      |
| EBITDA excluding special items** (US\$m)           | 114     | 143     | 89      |

<sup>\*</sup> Sales less operating profit excluding special items divided by tons sold. \*\* Refer to the supplementary information in this presentation for a reconciliation of EBITDA to reported operating profit and page 22 in our Q1 FY23 financial results booklet (available on www.sappi.com) for a definition of special items.

#### **Coated paper** Deliveries and prices United States\*



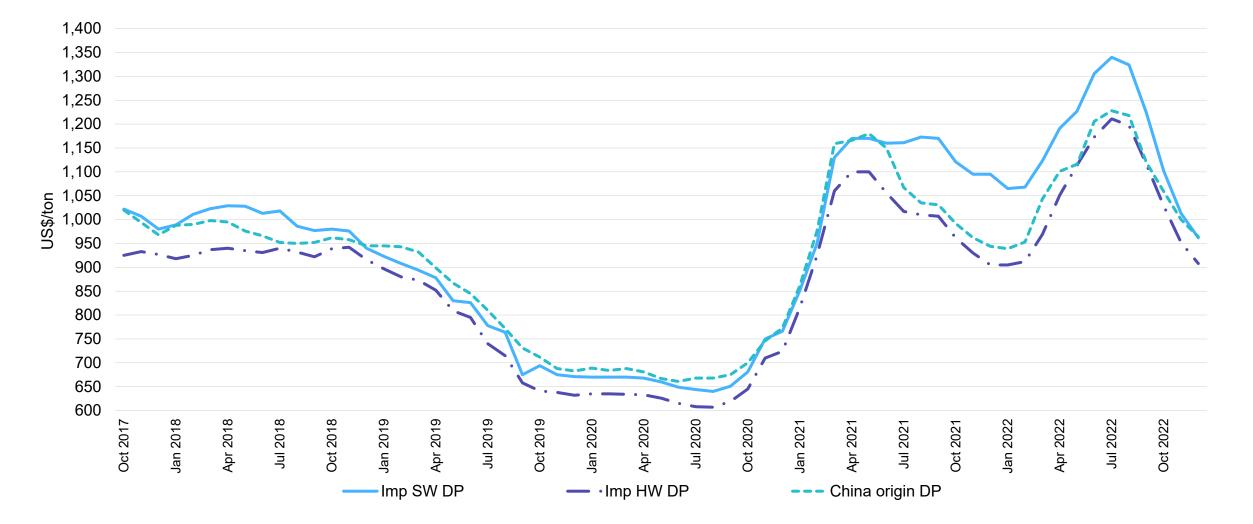
<sup>\*</sup> US industry purchases defined as industry shipments, plus imports, less exports.

Source: AF&PA and RISI indexed to Q1 2008.

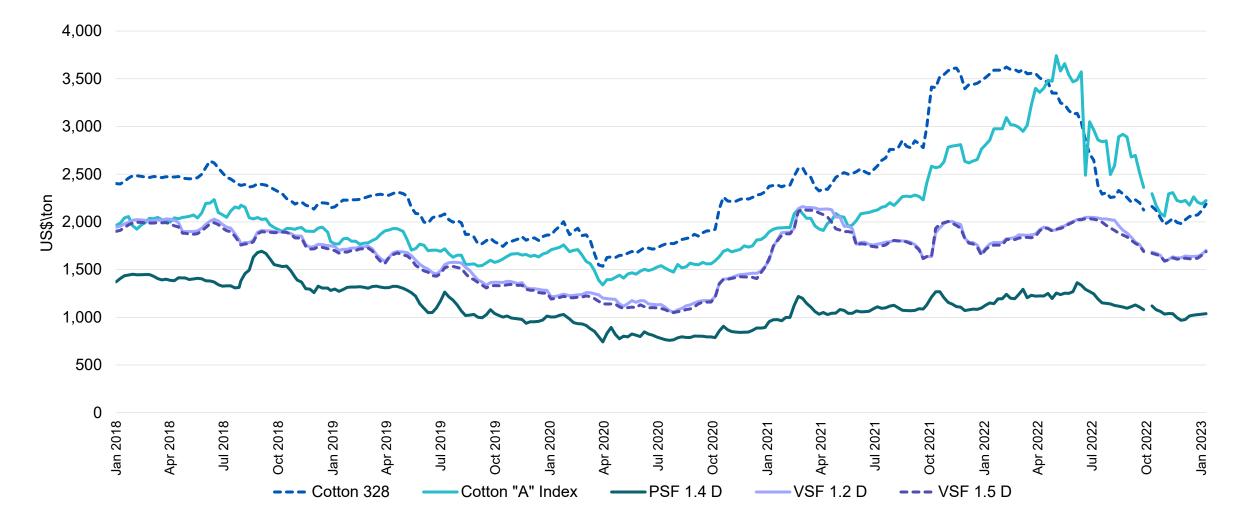
|  | Q1 FY23 | Q4 FY22 | Q1 FY22 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|
| Tons sold* ('000)                                  | 381     | 404     | 406     |
| - Pulp   | 243     | 267     | 253     |
| - Packaging and speciality papers                  | 97      | 105     | 110     |
| - Graphic papers                                   | 41      | 32      | 43      |
| Sales* (ZARm)                                      | 6,250   | 5,924   | 5,472   |
| Price/Ton* (ZAR)                                   | 16,404  | 14,663  | 13,478  |
| Cost/Ton** (ZAR)                                   | 13,493  | 10,923  | 10,251  |
| Operating profit excluding special items*** (ZARm) | 1,109   | 1,511   | 1,310   |
| EBITDA excluding special items*** (ZARm)           | 1,514   | 1,881   | 1,603   |

 <sup>\*</sup> Tons sold, sales and price per ton excludes forestry operations.
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### **Dissolving pulp** Prices



#### Textile fibre Prices



# Retail textile and apparel sales by region/country Indexed 2017=100

Source: US Census, National Bureau of Statistics, Eurostat. Indexing by Hawkins Wright. Estimates for the US are based on data from the Monthly Retail Trade Survey, Annual Retail Trade Survey, Service Annual Survey and administrative records. Estimates for China are based on retail sales of enterprises above a designated size, garments, footwear, hats, knitwear. Estimates for EU-27 are based upon retail sale of textiles, clothing, footwear and leather goods in specialised stores. Index of turnover.

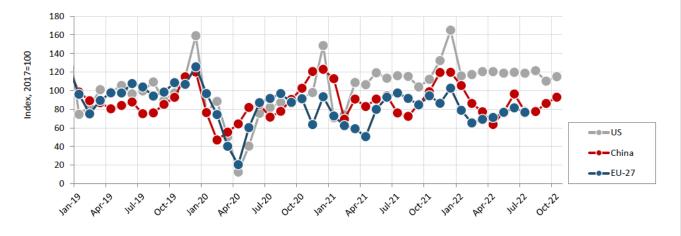
#### Dissolving pulp pricing vs Viscose staple fibre (VSF)

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Source: CCF Group.

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#### **Dissolving pulp** Market indicators



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#### US textile value chain inventory and sales



Significant inventory build through 2022 responding to low inventories in 2021; inventories started reducing in November 2022



#### November 2022 vs November 2021

- Wholesale inventory +57%
- Retail inventory +21%
- Total inventory + 33%
- Retail clothing sales +1%

#### November 2022 vs November 2019

- Total inventory +19%
- Retail clothing sales +11%

#### **Cash flow**

| US\$m                                    | Q1 FY23 | Q4 FY22 | Q1 FY22 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|
| Cash generated from operations           | 294     | 352     | 236     |
| Movement in working capital              | (174)   | 78      | (134)   |
| Finance costs paid                       | (39)    | (50)    | (28)    |
| Finance income received                  | 7       | 5       | 1       |
| Taxation (paid) refund                   | (3)     | (8)     | (4)     |
| Cash generated from operating activities | 85      | 377     | 71      |
| Cash utilised in investing activities    | (62)    | (135)   | (82)    |
| Capital expenditure                      | (58)    | (134)   | (72)    |
| Proceeds on disposal of assets           | -       | 1       | -       |
| Proceeds on held-for-sale assets         | 10      | -       | -       |
| Other non-current asset movements        | (14)    | (2)     | (10)    |
| Net cash generated (utilised)            | 23      | 242     | (11)    |

# **EBITDA** and operating profit



#### Excluding special items\* reconciliation to reported operating profit

| US\$m  | Q1 FY23 | Q4 FY22 | Q1 FY22 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|
| EBITDA excluding special items*                    | 290     | 391     | 240     |
| Depreciation and amortisation                      | (65)    | (73)    | (79)    |
| Operating profit excluding special items*          | 225     | 225 318 |         |
| Special items* – gains (losses)                    | 6       | (213)   | 8       |
| Plantation price fair value adjustment             | 6       | 6       | (15)    |
| Net restructuring provisions                       | -       | -       | (1)     |
| Profit (loss) on disposal of held-for-sale assets  | (1)     | -       | -       |
| Profit (loss) on disposal and written off assets   | -       | (19)    | -       |
| Gain (Loss) on measurement of held-for-sale assets | -       | (183)   | -       |
| Insurance recoveries                               | 3       | 6       | -       |
| Fire, flood, storm and other events                | (2)     | (23)    | 24      |
| Operating profit                                   | 231     | 105     | 169     |

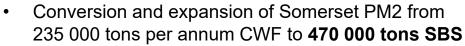
## Sappi capital allocation priorities: Phase 2 Thrive25



| Category                      |   | Strategic priority   | FY2023 Targets/Actions   |
|-------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Regulatory<br>& Environmental | External regulatory<br>& environmental<br>requirements      | High Mandatory license to operate Mandatory to meet ESG goals  | US\$60 million for sustainability  |
| Sustaining                    | Maintenance   | Critical to existing operations  | US\$250 million for maintenance  |
|                               | Balance sheet sustainability                                | Healthy balance sheet maximises capital allocation flexibility   | <ul> <li>Target net debt <us\$1bn by="" end<="" li="" year=""> <li>Target net debt /EBITDA ~1.5x</li> </us\$1bn></li></ul>                     |
| Profit<br>improvement         | Protect against future decline                              | Reduce exposure to declining graphic paper markets   | Divestment of European graphic paper<br>assets FQ2   |
| ſ́.)                          | Cost reduction/<br>Increase efficiency/<br>Mix optimisation | Improve cost position<br>Optimise assets and shift and into better performing product<br>categories                                  | (Total of US\$50 million FY2023)<br>Gratkorn label paper, Alfeld barrier<br>coatings, Somerset PM1 debottlenecking<br>Improve pulp integration |
| Shareholder<br>Returns<br>\$  | Shareholder value   | Sustainable dividends return value to shareholders<br>Target ROCE 2% above WACC  | Dividend 15 US cents, Jan 2023   |
| Growth<br>←                   | Expansion of existing products                              | Strengthen market position and product competitiveness<br>Invest in growth segments - packaging and pulp<br>Fund from free cash flow | Conversion and expansion of<br>Somerset PM2 to 470ktpa SBS<br>(US\$70million FY23)   |
|                               | New products  | Investments to stay ahead of the market in R&D and new<br>Low trends – Invest in Biotech   | Saiccor furfural pilot plant technical programme in progress   |

## **Conversion and expansion of Somerset PM2**

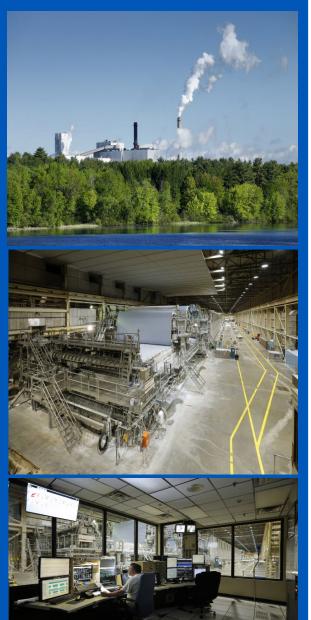
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- Approved by Board on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2022
- Class 10 engineering completed
- Equipment orders FQ2 2023
- Start up 2H FY2025

Thrive25

- Aligned with Thrive25 strategy to reduce exposure to declining graphic paper markets and grow packaging and speciality papers
- North American demand for food service board and flexible packaging exceeds current supply
- Significant growth opportunity as consumer demand for packaging shifts from plastic to paper
- Somerset PM1 hybrid capability to produce both CWF and SBS provides maximum flexibility for optimising product mix during ramp up
- Project cost ~ US\$418 million
- Spend will be phased over three years.
- FY2023 US\$70 million
- Project will be funded from free cash flow from operations



#### **2025 Sustainability targets are aligned with** United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



What we need to achieve in Sappi Europe between 2021–2025\*:

| 7 AFFORDABLE AND<br>CLEAN ENERGY     | 11%pts                              | Increase share of renewable<br>and clean energy                                    | 5%   | Improvement in<br>specific total energy (GJ/adt)           |         |   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|------|--|---------|---|
| 8 DECENT WORK AND<br>ECONOMIC GROWTH | 10% year-on-<br>year<br>improvement | Safety: achieve zero harm in the workplace (LTIFR)                                 | 80%  | Declared compliance with<br>Sappi Supplier Code of Conduct | 5.8%pts | Increase proportion of women<br>in management roles |
| 8 DECENT WORK AND<br>ECONOMIC GROWTH | WACC+2%                             | Return on net operating assets<br>(RONOA)  | >85% | Participation in employee engagement survey                | >75%    | Employees engaged with the business                 |
| 12 CONSUMPTION<br>AND PRODUCTION     | 15                                  | Products launched with defined sustainability benefits                             | 5%   | Reduction in solid waste<br>to landfill (ton/adt)          |         |   |
| 13 CLIMATE                           | 25%                                 | Reduction in GHG emissions (ton<br>CO <sub>2</sub> eq/adt)<br>(Scope 1+2 combined) |      |  |         |   |
| 15 UFE on Land                       | >78%                                | Certified fibre input  |      |  |         |   |

\*Our Baseline year is FY2019

### **2025 Sustainability targets are aligned with** United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



What we need to achieve in Sappi Southern Africa between 2021–2025\*:

| 7 AFFORDABLE AND<br>CLEAN ENERGY                | 7%pts                               | Increase proportion of renewable<br>and clean energy                  | 9%                                    | Improvement in<br>specific total energy (GJ/adt)           |         |  |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|---------|--|
| 8 DECENT WORK AND<br>ECONOMIC GROWTH            | 10% year-on-<br>year<br>improvement | Safety: achieve zero harm in the workplace (LTIFR)                    | 80%                                   | Declared compliance with<br>Sappi Supplier Code of Conduct | 3.1%pts | Increase proportion of women in management roles |
| 8 DECENT WORK AND<br>ECONOMIC GROWTH            | WACC+2%                             | Return on net operating assets<br>(RONOA)                             | >85%                                  | Participation in employee engagement survey                | >75%    | Employees engaged with the business              |
| 12 RESPONSIBLE<br>CONSUMPTION<br>AND PRODUCTION | 5                                   | Products launched with defined sustainability benefits                | 24%                                   | Reduction in solid waste to landfill (ton/adt)             |         |  |
| 13 climate                                      | 20%                                 | Reduction in GHG emissions (ton<br>CO2eq/adt)<br>(Scope 1+2 combined) | 21%                                   | Reduction in specific purchased fossil energy              |         |  |
| 15 UFE ON LAND                                  | >82%                                | Certified fibre input   | 10%                                   | Biodiversity improvement on our own forestry landholdings  | >4 Mt   | Sustainable annual growth in our plantations     |
| 6 CLEAN WATER<br>AND SANITATION                 | 23%                                 | Reduction in specific water use                                       | 1 <sup>№</sup><br>/ * * * * * * * Lev | el 1 B-BBEE contributor status                             |         |  |

\*Our Baseline year is FY2019

### **2025 Sustainability targets are aligned with** United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



What we need to achieve in Sappi North America between 2021–2025\*:

| 7 AFFORDABLE AND<br>CLEAN ENERGY                | Within 5% of<br>baseline or<br>higher | Share of renewable<br>and clean energy<br>Baseline = 79.1%            | 5%   | Improvement in specific total energy (GJ/adt)              |       |  |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|------|--|-------|--|
| 8 DECENT WORK AND<br>ECONOMIC GROWTH            | 10% year-on-<br>year<br>improvement   | Safety: achieve zero harm in the workplace (LTIFR)                    | 80%  | Declared compliance with<br>Sappi Supplier Code of Conduct | 4%pts | Increase proportion of women in management roles |
| 8 DECENT WORK AND<br>ECONOMIC GROWTH            | WACC+2%                               | Return on net operating assets<br>(RONOA)                             | >85% | Participation in employee engagement survey                | >75%  | Employees engaged with the business              |
| 12 RESPONSIBLE<br>CONSUMPTION<br>AND PRODUCTION | 5                                     | Products launched with defined sustainability benefits                | 10%  | Reduction in solid waste to landfill (ton/adt)             |       |  |
| 13 climate                                      | 5%                                    | Reduction in GHG emissions (ton<br>CO2eq/adt)<br>(Scope 1+2 combined) |      |  |       |  |
| 15 UFE ON LAND                                  | >55%                                  | Certified fibre input   |      |  |       |  |

\*Our Baseline year is FY2019

### **Innovative R&D focus** Unlocking the full potential of each tree

