

# Third Quarter 2023 Earnings

October 26, 2023

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### **Discontinued Operations**

As a result of the spin-off of our global Printing Papers business on October 1, 2021, the Printing Papers business segment has been eliminated. Historical results have been adjusted to reflect this business as a discontinued operation. In addition, as previously announced, the Company sold its interest in the Ilim joint venture on September 18, 2023. Current and historical results have been adjusted to reflect Ilim as a discontinued operation.

### Ilim JV and Sylvamo Corporation Investment Information

All financial information and statistical measures regarding our prior 50/50 ownership in the Ilim joint venture in Russia ("Ilim") and our prior ownership interest in Sylvamo Corporation, other than historical International Paper Equity Earnings and dividends received by International Paper, have been prepared by the management of Ilim and Sylvamo Corporation, respectively.

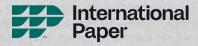


# Third Quarter 2023 Highlights

- Taking actions while navigating challenging macro environment
  - Accelerating marginal cost reduction
  - Exceeded FY target for Building a Better IP initiatives
  - > Optimizing our mill system to reduce fixed cost
- Solid mill operating performance
- Demand recovery continued
- Completed sale of Ilim



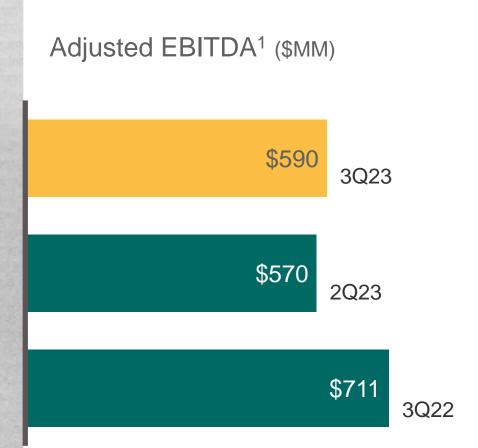
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## Third Quarter 2023 Financials

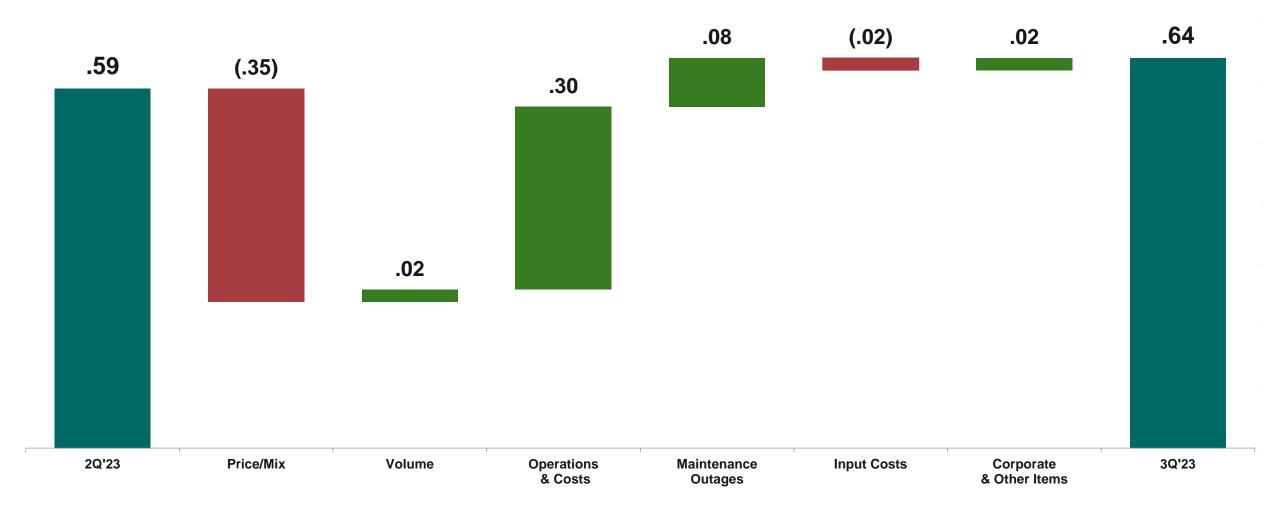
	3Q22	2Q23	3Q23
Sales (\$B)	\$5.4	\$4.7	\$4.6
Adjusted EBIT <sup>1</sup> (\$MM)	\$450	\$326	\$332
Adjusted Operating EPS <sup>2</sup>	\$0.83	\$0.59	\$0.64
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>1</sup> (\$MM)	\$711	\$570	\$590
Adjusted EBITDA Margin <sup>1</sup>	13.2%	12.2%	12.8%
Free Cash Flow <sup>3</sup> (\$MM)	\$197	\$261	\$240

All periods have been adjusted to reflect the prior Ilim JV as discontinued operations



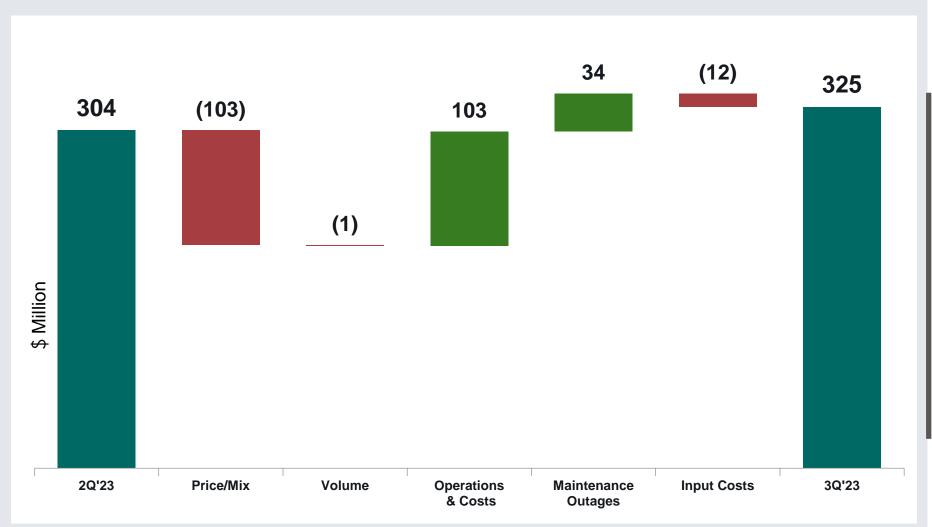


# 3Q23 vs 2Q23 Adjusted Operating EPS<sup>1</sup>





# Industrial Packaging | 3Q23 vs 2Q23 Adjusted EBIT1



Lower price/mix from index movement and exports

One less shipping day QoQ

IP U.S. box shipments -4.0% YoY (daily)

Export channel demand improved

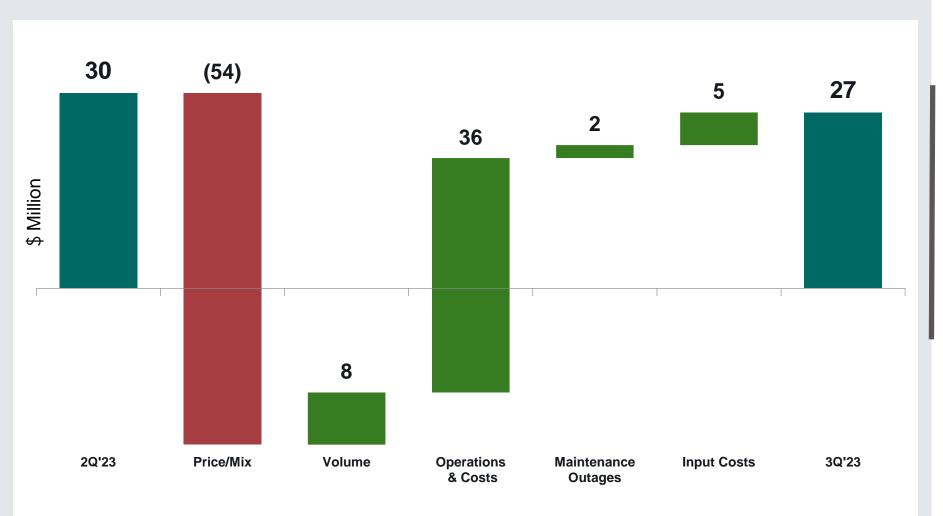
Strong mill operating performance

Effective cost management, lower cost of company paid benefits, and less economic downtime

Higher energy and OCC, partially offset by lower chemical costs



# Global Cellulose Fibers 3Q23 vs 2Q23 Adjusted EBIT1



Lower price/mix from index movement

Higher fluff volume, partially offset by reduction in commodity pulp

Strong mill operating performance

Effective cost management, improved supply chain cost, and lower cost of company paid benefits

Lower wood and chemical costs



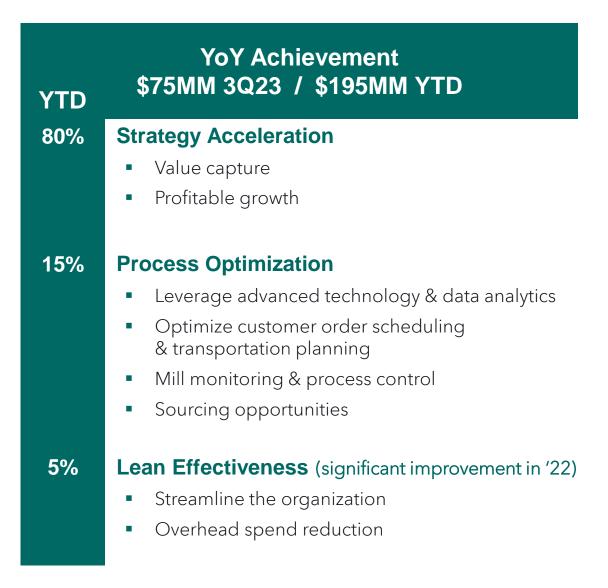
# Fourth Quarter Earnings Outlook | Changes from 3Q23

### **Industrial Packaging Cellulose Fibers** Prior index movement Prior index movement **Price & Mix** & lower export pricing to date Improving mix Seasonality & improving demand (+) Volume Improving demand, less commodity N.A. 1 less day (-) Non-repeats (-) Non-repeats & timing of spend (-) **Ops & Costs** Lower unabsorbed fixed costs Lower unabsorbed fixed costs **Maintenance** \$21MM lower \$28MM higher **Outages Inputs & Freight Higher OCC** Lower • 4Q23 corporate expense of \$(15)MM Other 4Q23 interest expense of \$(50)MM FY23 tax rate outlook of ~22%



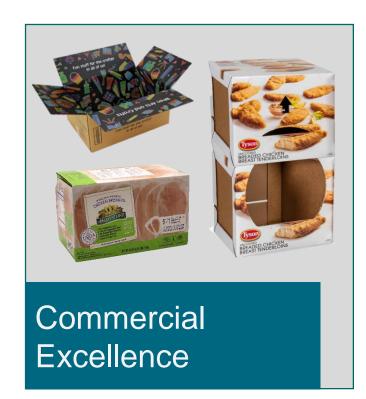
# Building a Better IP | Exceeded Full Year Target



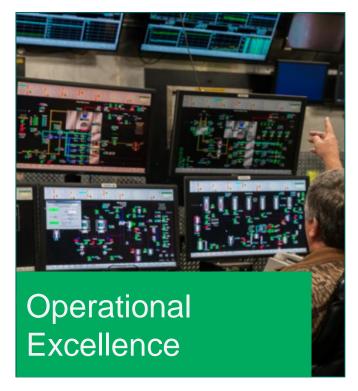




# Industrial Packaging | Taking Actions to Drive Profitable Growth



- Improving customer & segment mix
- Capturing additional value
- Leveraging data analytics to improve margins
- Growing specialty businesses
- Innovation



- Reducing fixed & marginal costs
- Leveraging advanced technology
- Developing workforce skillsets



- Expanding capabilities
- Improving productivity
- Optimizing system flexibility
- Strengthening box system
- Building talent



# Industrial Packaging | Investing Across our Box System to Create Value

**Expanding Capabilities** 

Improving Productivity

System Flexibility

**Building Talent** 

- Strengthening value proposition to customers
- >70 projects in 2022/2023
  - New converting machines
  - Corrugator upgrades
  - Specialty equipment
- New world class box plant



Atglen box plant in eastern PA



# Global Cellulose Fibers | Path to Maximizing Value

### **Current Environment**

- Demand improving
- Destocking generally completed
- Margin compression from price index flow through
- Increased Fluff premium over commodity grades

## **Strategic Opportunities**

- Reduce exposure to commodity grades
- Align with strategic fluff customers & capture value
- Innovation / grow specialty
- Further optimize cost structure

## **Actions Taken**

- ✓ Differentiated value of fluff vs. commodity
- ✓ Restructured contracts
- ✓ Reducing supply chain costs
- ✓ Announced closure of two machines to reduce fixed costs











## CEO Perspective | IP is Well Positioned for the Future

Strong financial foundation

Solid execution in challenging macro environment

Taking actions to maximize value







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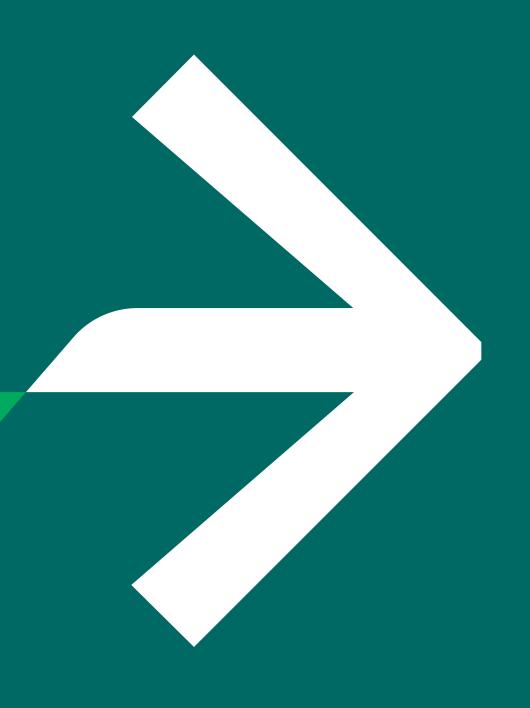
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# Appendix & Footnotes





# Mill / PM Closure Impact

\$ Million	Industrial Packaging Orange Mill	Global Cellulose Fiber Pensacola PM4 & Riegelwood PM20
	Amount	Amount
Total Cost	\$450 <sup>1</sup>	\$214 <sup>1</sup>
Non-Cash	\$395 <sup>1</sup>	\$200 <sup>1</sup>
Cash Cost	\$55 <sup>1</sup>	\$14 <sup>1</sup>
EBITDA Impact <sup>2</sup>	~\$140MM	~\$90MM
Capacity Reduction (tons)	800k	300k Fluff 200k SBSK



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Closure Costs are approximate and will be recorded as Special Items in 4Q'23. Additionally, approximately 60% of cash closure costs will be paid in 2024. The remainder of cash closure costs will be paid in 2025 and beyond.

# Industrial Packaging | Focused on Reducing Highest Marginal Costs

## Fiber & Energy

- Maximizing lowest cost fiber
  - Wood vs. OCC
  - Round wood vs. chips
- Reduce highest cost suppliers
- Optimize wood inventory levels
- Improve fiber yields
- Maximize own-make power
- Reduce natural gas & steam consumption

## **Supply Chain**

- Mode optimization
  - Rail vs. Truck
- Reduce premium freight, warehousing & demurrage
- Improve equipment utilization
- Reduce highest cost suppliers
- Sourcing opportunities
- Supply chain planning optimization using data analytics

## **Supplies & Services**

- Optimize planned maintenance outages and reduce spending
  - Cost driven vs. schedule
- Overtime reduction
- Reduce inventory levels and other working capital
- Reduce highest cost suppliers
- Sourcing opportunities



# Select Financial Metrics<sup>1</sup>

\$ Million		2021	2022	2023F
Mair	ntenance Outage Expense	\$531	\$601	\$587
	Maintenance & Regulatory	\$415	\$649	Targeting
Capex	Cost Reduction	\$10	\$50	\$1,100 -
Strategic	Strategic	\$124	\$232	\$1,200
Dep	reciation & Amortization	\$1,097	\$1,040	\$1,000
Net	Interest Expense	\$337	\$267	\$235
Corporate Expense		\$134	\$34	\$50
Effe	ctive Tax Rate	19%	24%	22%



## Free Cash Flow

\$ Million	2020	2021	3Q22	2022	2Q23	3Q23
Cash Provided by Operations	\$3,063	\$2,030 <sup>1</sup>	\$435	\$2,174	\$528	\$468
Cash Invested in Capital Projects, Net of Insurance Recoveries	\$(751)	\$(549)	\$(238)	\$(931)	\$(267)	\$(228)
Free Cash Flow	\$2,312	\$1,481	\$197	\$1,243	\$261	\$240

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>2021 cash provided by operations includes tax payments of ~\$0.5B related to monetization transactions and CARES Act payroll tax deferral

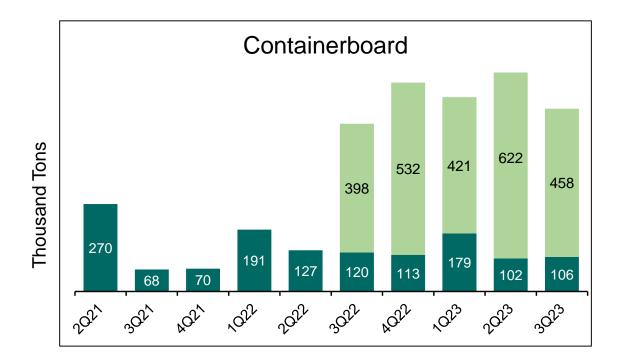


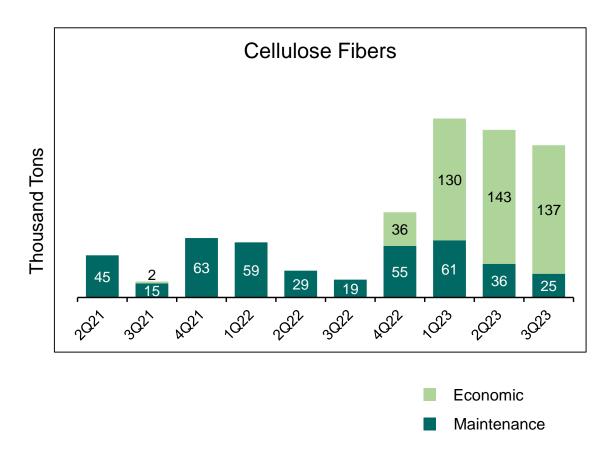
# Maintenance Outages Expenses | 2023 Forecast

\$ Million	1Q23A	2Q23A	3Q23A	4Q23F	2023F
Industrial Packaging	\$161	\$107	\$73	<b>\$52</b>	\$393
North America	\$161	\$86	\$73	\$49	\$369
Riverdale Papers	-	\$21	-	-	\$21
EMEA	-	-	-	\$3	\$3
Global Cellulose Fibers	\$68	\$34	\$32	\$60	\$194
North America	\$53	\$34	\$32	\$60	\$179
Georgetown Papers	\$15	-	-	-	\$15
Total Impact	\$229	\$141	\$105	\$112	\$587



## North America Downtime







# Special Items Before Tax | Continuing Operations

Special Items	3Q22	2Q23	3Q23	
Industrial Packagi	ng	-	-	-
Global Cellulose F	ibers	-	-	-
	Environmental Remediation			\$(29)
Corporate Tax Audit Settle Debt Extinguis	Legal Settlement	\$15		
	Tax Audit Settlement Interest		\$6	
	Debt Extinguishment	\$(93)		
	Timber Monetization Settlement Interest	\$(55)		
Sylvamo Investment MTM Gain / (Losses)		\$16		
Total Special Ite	ems Before Tax	\$(117)	\$6	\$(29)



# Special Items Net of Tax

	3Q2	23
	\$ Million	EPS
Earnings Before Special Items	\$224	\$0.64
Special Items Net of Taxes:		
Environmental Remediation	\$(22)	
Total Special Items Net of Taxes	\$(22)	\$(0.06)
Non-Operating Pension (Expense) Income	\$(10)	\$(0.03)
Discontinued Operations Net of Tax	\$(27)	\$(0.08)
Net Earnings (Loss)	\$165	\$0.47



# Operating Profits by Business Segment

\$ Million	3Q22	2Q23	3Q23
Earnings (Loss) Before Income Taxes and Equity Earnings	\$313	\$255	\$232
Interest Expense, Net	\$123 <sup>2</sup>	\$59 <sup>2</sup>	\$58
Adjustment for Less Than Wholly Owned Subsidiaries	\$(1)	\$0	\$0
Corporate Expenses, Net	\$15	\$8	\$20
Net Special Items	\$62	\$0	\$29
Non-Operating Pension Expense (Income)	\$(48)	\$12	\$13
<b>Business Segment Operating Profit</b>	\$464	\$334	\$352
Industrial Packaging <sup>1</sup>	\$369	\$304	\$325
Global Cellulose Fibers <sup>1</sup>	\$95	\$30	\$27
Total Business Segment Operating Profit <sup>1</sup>	\$464	\$334	\$352



# Geographic Business Segment Operating Results | Quarterly

\$ Million	Sales		D & A <sup>2</sup> Business Segme Operating Prof				
	3Q22	2Q23	3Q23	3Q23	3Q22	2Q23	3Q23
Industrial Packaging							
North America	\$4,055	\$3,550	\$3,491	\$187	\$387	\$284	\$313
EMEA	\$355	\$351	\$316	\$15	\$(18)	\$20	\$12
Global Cellulose Fibers							
Global Cellulose Fibers	\$887	\$698	\$725	\$55	\$95	\$30	\$27

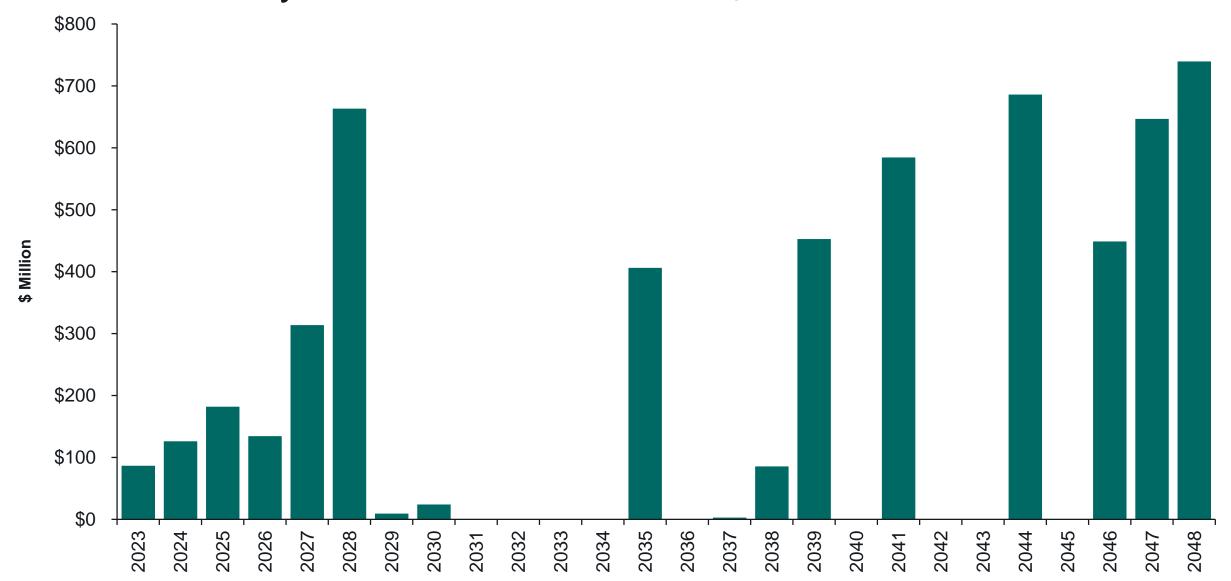


# 2023 Operating Earnings

	Pre-Tax \$MM	Tax \$MM	Non- controlling Interest \$MM	Equity Earnings	Net Income \$MM	Average Shares MM	Diluted EPS¹
Net Earnings fro	m Continuing O <sub>l</sub>	perations					
1Q23	\$221	(\$48)	-	(\$1)	\$172	353	\$0.49
2Q23	\$255	(\$33)	-	-	\$222	347	\$0.64
3Q23	\$232	(\$39)	-	(\$1)	\$192	348	\$0.55
Net Special Item	s						
1Q23	\$3	(\$1)	-	-	\$2	353	\$0.01
2Q23	(\$6)	(\$21)	-	-	(\$27)	347	(\$0.08)
3Q23	\$29	(\$7)	-	-	\$22	348	\$0.06
Non-Operating F	Pension Expense						
1Q23	\$15	(\$4)	-	-	\$11	353	\$0.03
2Q23	\$12	(\$3)	-	-	\$9	347	\$0.03
3Q23	\$13	(\$3)	-	-	\$10	348	\$0.03
Adj. Operating E	arnings						
1Q23	\$239	(\$53)	-	(\$1)	\$185	353	\$0.53
2Q23	\$261	(\$57)	-	-	\$204	347	\$0.59
3Q23	\$274	(\$49)	-	(\$1)	\$224	348	\$0.64

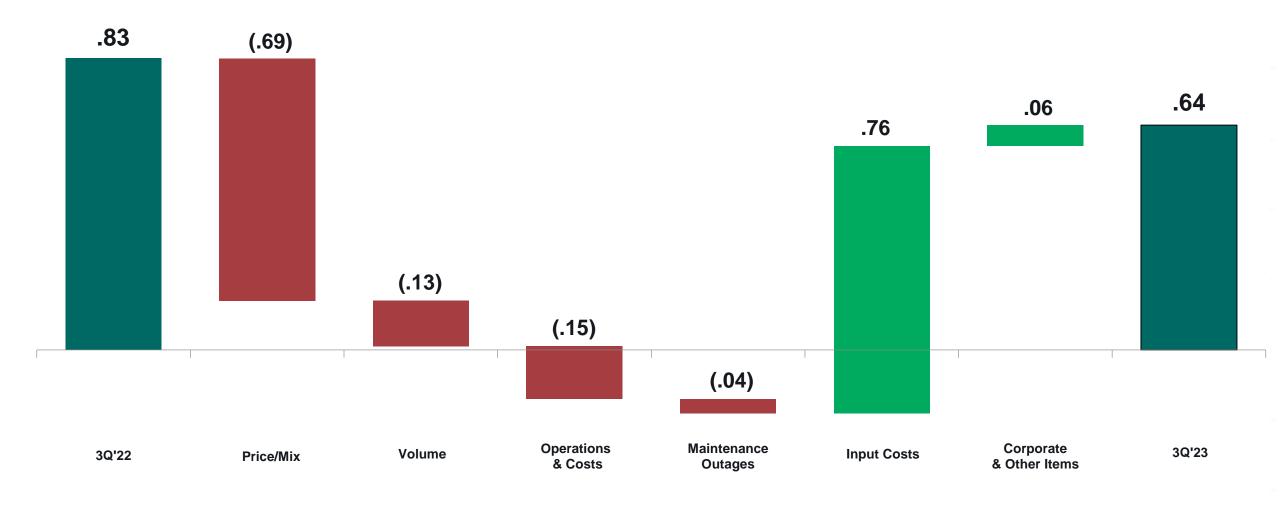


# Debt Maturity Profile | Maturities as of September 30, 2023



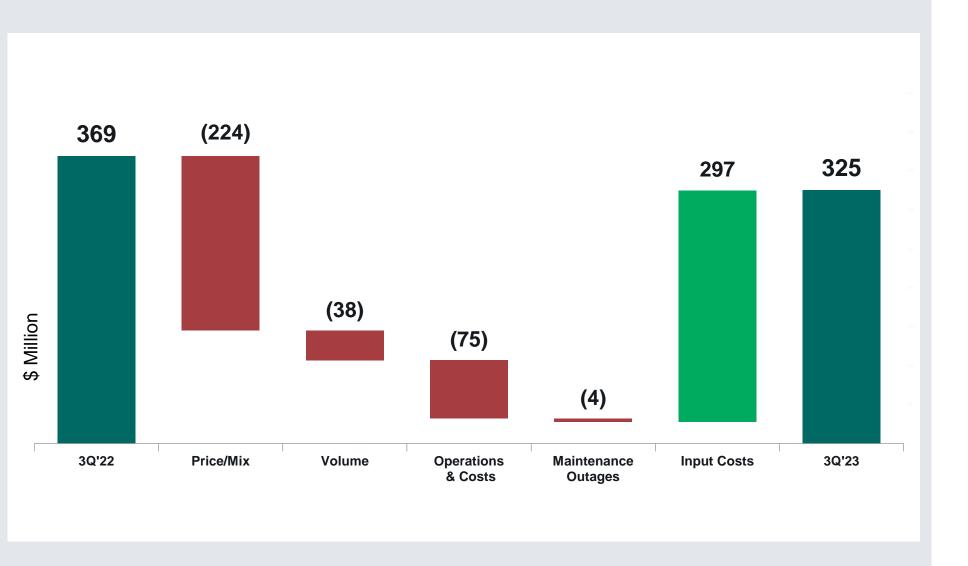


# 3Q23 vs 3Q22 Adjusted Operating EPS<sup>1</sup>



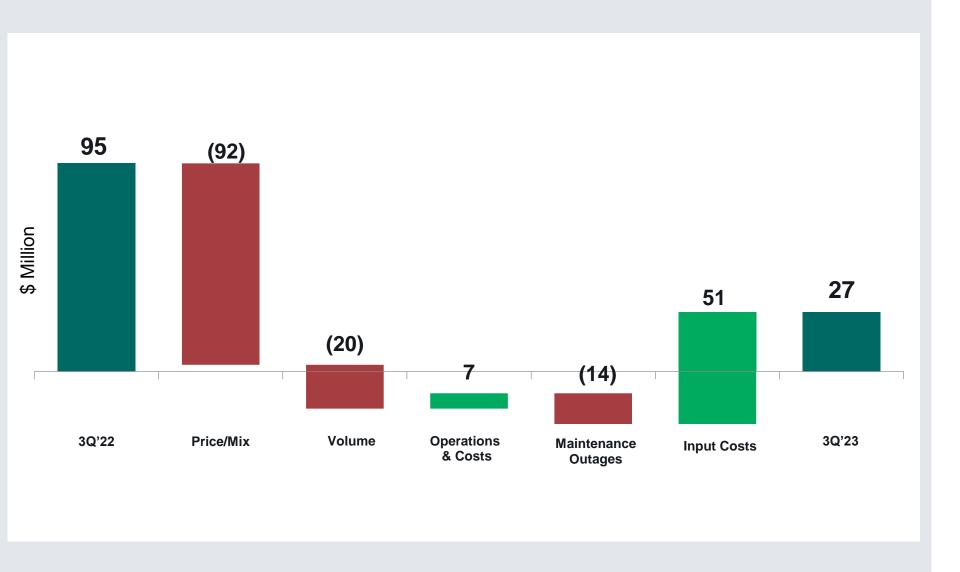


# Industrial Packaging | 3Q23 vs 3Q22 Adjusted EBIT1





# Global Cellulose Fibers | 3Q23 vs 3Q22 Adjusted EBIT1





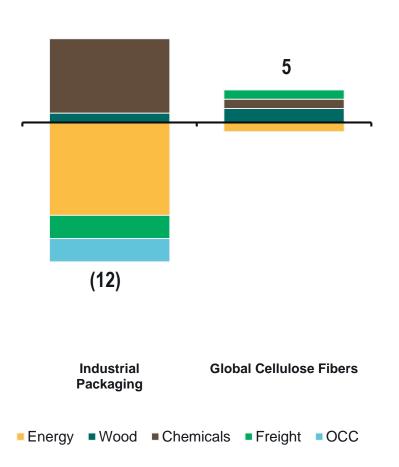
# Global Consumption | 2022 Annual Purchases for Key Inputs

	Commodity	North America	EMEA
Enorgy	Natural Gas (MMBTUs)	85,000,000	2,200,000
Energy	Fuel Oil (Barrels)	252,000	0
Fiber	Wood (Tons)	46,000,000	0
riber	Old Corrugated Containers / DLK (Tons)	4,700,000	500,000
Chamiaala	Caustic Soda (Tons)	360,000	1,500
Chemicals	Starch (Tons)	240,000	55,000

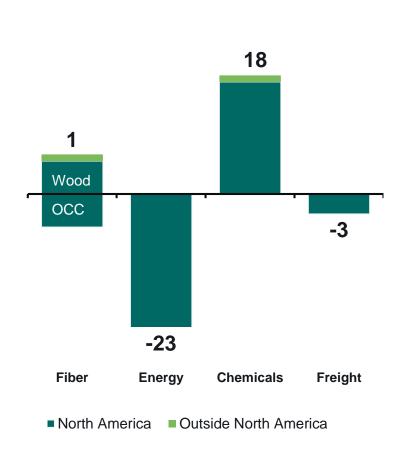


# Global Input Costs 3Q23 vs 2Q23 | \$(7)MM Unfavorable, \$(0.02) per share





### By Input Type



U.S Average Cost vs 2Q23						
Wood	-2%					
OCC	10%					
Natural Gas	20%					
Electricity	10%					
Chemical Composite	-7%					



## **Footnotes**

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<sup>1</sup> Adjusted operating EPS, a non-GAAP financial measure based on Adjusted Operating Earnings (defined as Net Earnings from Continuing Operations (GAAP) before net special items and non operating pension expense (income))

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- <sup>1</sup> Before special items and non-operating pension expense (income) (non-GAAP)
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- <sup>3</sup> See slide #19 for a reconciliation of cash provided by operations to Free Cash Flow, a non-GAAP financial measure

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- <sup>2</sup> Includes special items income of \$6MM in 2Q23 for interest income associated with the settlement of tax audits and includes special items expense of \$55MM related to the previously announced settlement of the timber monetization restructuring tax matter

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Does not reflect total company sales. Sales as reported is a U.S. GAAP metric. For North American Industrial Packaging, this metric includes Recycling Business Sales and Trade Sales. A reconciliation of this U.S. GAAP metric to a non-U.S. GAAP metric of Sales excluding these items for North American Industrial Packaging is available as a Non-GAAP reconciliation on our website at https://www.internationalpaper.com/investors/financial-reports/quarterly-results

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