

Sappi Limited
(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)
Registration number: 1936/008963/06
JSE share code: SAP
ISIN code: ZAE000006284
("Sappi" or the "company")

APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In terms of paragraph 3.59 (a) of the Listing Requirements of the JSE Limited, Sappi is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Rob Jan Renders as independent non-executive director to the Board of directors of Sappi Limited (the "Board") with effect from 1 October 2015.

Mr Renders, 62, currently a business consultant, was a member of the Board of Duropack GmbH ("Duropack") from 2012 until the end of May 2015, as well as CEO of Duropack from May 2013 until May 2015. He has also served (from 2006 to 2010) as Chairman of the Board of OTOR Société Anonyme, a leading packaging provider in France. Between 1989 and 2006 he held various positions at Svenska Cellulosa Aktiebolaget ("SCA"), a leading global producer of hygiene products and packaging solutions, including mill manager at SCA Packaging De Hoop, Managing Director of SCA Packaging De Hoop, President of SCA Packaging Containerboard, President of SCA Packaging Europe and Senior Vice-President Special Project Global Packaging for SCA Group. Mr Renders holds a Master's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Technology, Eindhoven, the Netherlands.

The Board looks forward to Mr Renders' contribution to Sappi and believes that his experience will add value to the Board's insights into industry trends and international markets.

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