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### **PRESS RELEASE**

# Hemlock Partners with Domtar to Expand ZERO Carbon Neutral Printing Program

April 22, 2021 – For the past two decades, Hemlock has taken a proactive stance towards protecting our Ancient & Endangered forests. We are proud to continue this long-standing tradition through our ZERO Carbon Neutral Printing Program, by announcing a partnership with North American-based paper manufacturer, Domtar. This collaboration is rooted in responsible forest management and conservation by enabling customers to select Lynx® Opaque Ultra 30% Recycled, which is now automatically carbon neutral and made from 30% post-consumer recycled fiber as compared to Lynx's standard 0% and optional 10% recycled substrates.

Hemlock's ZERO program continues to grow its environmentally progressive and carbon neutral papers in large part due to the ongoing guidance from Offsetters and collaboration with mills such as Domtar. The addition of Domtar's Lynx Opaque Ultra 30% Recycled further emphasizes how important products holding the Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®) certification and made from post-consumer waste are to any supply chain.

"When Domtar approached us with a strong interest in our ZERO program, we immediately saw another great opportunity to further embed sustainability within our paper supply chain" remarked Hemlock's President, Richard Kouwenhoven. "By working with Domtar, we are able to significantly increase the accessibility of carbon neutral products among our customers and the wider community. Looking ahead, we are excited to participate in more collaborations that emphasize our most environmentally progressive offerings."

Domtar's manufacturing process at its Windsor, Quebec mill illustrates how the principles of a circular economy work. Trees are harvested through responsible forest practices and sent to the mill to make pulp and paper. Residual bark is used to produce steam for the turbine generator that produces electricity sold to Hydro Quebec to power homes. The mill also returns manufacturing by-products in the form of fertilizer to enrich the soil of the forests it manages, which enhances the growth of the next generation of trees.

"Domtar is pleased to collaborate with Hemlock Printers in creating a carbon neutral paper that promotes forest stewardship and delivers value for everyone working toward a low-carbon world," stated Paige Goff, Domtar's Vice-President of Sustainability. "Canada has one of the highest rates of recovered paper in the world and Hemlock's addition of our Lynx Opaque Ultra 30% Recycled paper contributes to that story of product circularity, thriving forestland biodiversity and the wellbeing of nature and people."



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This 100% carbon neutral sheet also offers Hemlock's customers across North America high quality and cost-effective options with Lynx Opaque Text sheets and rolls that meet the needs of both offset and digital print projects. For more information about the newest addition to the ZERO paper line-up and to get a Lynx Opaque Ultra 30% Recycled swatchbook, contact your Hemlock Sales Representative.

#### **About ZERO**

Developed over a decade ago in partnership with Offsetters, a Vancouver-based provider of high-quality climate change solutions, Hemlock's ZERO Carbon Neutral Printing Program has enabled hundreds of customers to neutralize over 15 million kilograms of carbon emissions (kg CO2e) by investing in forest conservation projects that exist to protect the biodiversity of life on earth and the health of our world's forests. To learn more about Offsetters <u>click here</u>. To learn more about Hemlock's Portfolio, <u>click here</u>.

#### **About Hemlock Printers**

Hemlock Printers is one of the largest commercial printers in the Pacific Northwest, building its success for 53 years on a commitment to craftsmanship, sustainable practices, and continuous innovation. With a 79,000 sq ft production facility in Burnaby, BC and sales offices in Seattle and San Francisco all operating 100% carbon neutral, Hemlock is consistently recognized as an industry leader. For more information visit <a href="https://example.com">hemlock.com</a> or contact Doug Climie at 604.439.5004 or doug@hemlock.com.

## **About Domtar**

Domtar is a leading provider of a wide variety of fiber-based products including communication, specialty and packaging papers, market pulp and airlaid nonwovens. With approximately 6,600 employees serving more than 50 countries around the world, Domtar is driven by a commitment to turn sustainable wood fiber into useful products that people rely on every day. Domtar's annual sales are approximately \$3.7 billion, and its common stock is traded on the New York (NYSE) and Toronto (TSX) Stock Exchanges (trading symbol UFS). Domtar's principal executive office is in Fort Mill, South Carolina. To learn more, visit <a href="https://www.domtar.com">www.domtar.com</a>.

