



# Georgia-Pacific

## FACILITY FACTS - MUSKOGEE MILL



**Location:** 4901 Chandler Road  
Muskogee, Oklahoma 74403-4909  
(50 miles southeast of Tulsa)

**Business:** Towel and Tissue Manufacturing Facility  
(Retail & Commercial)

**Number of Employees:** 1100

**Facility Manager:** Rodney Bond

**Brands/Products Made:** Mardi Gras, Soft 'n Gentle, Envision, Green Forest, So-Dri, Vanity Fair, Brawny, Sparkle, Angel Soft, and Quilted Northern bath and facial tissue, towel, and napkin products

**Major Assets:** 4 Wastepaper/Secondary Pulping Systems (mill uses 95% recycled fiber)  
5 Paper Machines (produce large rolls of paper up to 23 feet wide)  
Approximately 65 Converting Lines  
Power Plant (generates all energy for mill production)  
Poly Extrusion Plant (produces a poly overwrap film)  
Eco Source (sorts wastepaper materials)

**Facility History:** 6/76 Plant-site Groundbreaking  
**(Key Dates)** 3/78 Start-up of 1<sup>st</sup> Paper Machine (#11)  
2/79 Start-up of 2<sup>nd</sup> Paper Machine (#12)  
5/81 Start-up of 3<sup>rd</sup> Paper Machine (#13)  
6/85 Start-up of 4<sup>th</sup> Paper Machine (#14)  
3/94 Start-up of 5<sup>th</sup> Paper Machine (#15)

### Interesting Facts:

#### Facility:

- Located on the Kerr-McClellan Navigational Channel (Arkansas River) on 640 acres. Approximately 70 acres (or 2,900,000 square feet) of manufacturing and warehouse space are "under roof". Replacement Asset cost for this facility is \$1.3 billion.
- Largest employer in the City. 45<sup>th</sup> Largest manufacturing facility in the State.
- A Non-union facility with no personnel layoffs since start-up.
- Annual payroll is over \$90 million. Local and State sales taxes paid annually exceeds \$2.1 million. Overall economic impact to Oklahoma is over \$250 million.
- Operates on 12-hour shifts, 7 days per week, 365 days per year.
- Implemented Crosby Total Quality Improvement Process in 1989. The combination of Total Quality Management and Employee Involvement philosophies has created a high performance, highly committed workforce.
- A computer-aided Learning Center is on-site for employees and their families.
- Uses >99% recycled paper to produce our finished product. Processes more than 1400 tons of recycled paper each day, (equivalent to 8,844 fifty-five gallon drums or 3.2 million per year).
- Houses 2 of the 13 largest tissue machines in the world. The paper machines produce an average of 930 tons of paper per day.
- The Converting team has largest population of employees at 450, producing approximately 90,000 cases per day. More than 2.4 million finished product cases are loaded and shipped from this mill each month. Finished Product mix is 60% Retail and 40% Commercial.
- Houses the only Polymaking facility in the Corporation; making and printing the Polyethylene overwrap for our products.
- Certified as O.S.H.A. VPP (Voluntary Protection Program) Star facility in February 2000 and re-certified in May 2009.

#### Muskogee

- The name Muskogee evolved from the Creek Indian tribe, who called it *Muscogee*. Muskogee was incorporated in 1898 under the provisions of the Dawes Commission, which allowed settlement within the Indian Territory.
- Numerous lakes, rivers, and streams surround the greater Muskogee area. Located in the middle of the world's largest concentration of man-made lakes, the area claims to have more shoreline than any other inland state.
- Home of Five Civilized Tribes Museum, which focuses on the history of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Creek, Choctaw, and Seminole nations. Indian artifacts relating to the culture and society of the five tribes are on display.
- Home of the world famous Azalea Festival held each April in Honor Heights Park.
- Home of two junior colleges, a four-year college, and a vocational-technical state college.
- Visit web site [www.muskogee.org](http://www.muskogee.org).