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Paper Hand Towels and Roll Products **Information on Cartiera San Giorgio and Cartindustria Ligure**

- *Relevant Company Information*

Cartiera San Giorgio:

CSG is based in Genova-Voltri in Italy and was founded in 1973. The company specializes in the production of paper towel mother reels in different weights, sizes and colours according to various (and sometimes complex) customer requirements. Careful selection of raw materials and accurate check of mixtures guarantee consistent standards which underwrite CSG's well-known and appreciated reputation for providing high-quality paper both in Italy and throughout Europe, what helps CSG to maintain its high quality is in the water that it uses to make its pulp, "pure mountain water".

Over the last few years CSG has invested 7 million Euro in their manufacturing process by the purchase of a new drying drum. The drying drum was made to specification so that product quality could be monitored and maintained. This machinery has improved efficiency and increased production from 15.000 tonnes per year to 21.000 tonnes per year. It is worth noting that CSG is now one of the largest manufacturers of 1ply hand towel paper reels in Europe.

CSG produces paper mother reels up to the maximum height of 2.42m trimmed (2.45m not trimmed ends), and functional submultiples to the machine light in different weights from 38 to 70 g/m² and beyond. It offers a wide range of products fully able to satisfy various market demands.

A key factor in the demand for CSG paper is its compactness and extreme "workability". This arises during creping in the wet part of the continuous manufacturing process and the resulting mother reel gives paper converting factories considerable flexibility in the production of their paper tissue ranges.

A partnership arrangement with a paper tissue converter (Cartindustria Ligure) in the nearby locality of Stella, enables CSG to offer customers a range of finished products using their mother reels.

Cartindustria Ligure:

CL was founded 1974, and operates out of modern, well-equipped and highly-mechanised premises located in Stella, Italy. CL specializes in converting mother reels provided by CSG in towel sheets and rolls, according to customers' specifications. All products are supplied in full loads which can be mixed.

Recent investment of 3 million Euros on additional new machinery has greatly increased manufacturing output, by way of acquiring:

- a) New Z-fold machine that increased production from 250 cartons per shift to 550 per shift;
- b) New V-fold machine providing an additional 500 cartons per shift from: 500 cartons to 1000 cartons per shift;
- c) New C-fold machine that has helped increase production from 900 cartons per shift to 1800 cartons per shift.
- d) Construction of a new, purpose-built finished goods warehouse of some 2000 sq ms, providing additional space in existing storage areas for mother reels.

All machines were made to CL specifications to ensure consistent product quality alongside the existing converting equipment.

The Range

"C" fold towels 1 & 2ply

"Z" fold towels 1 & 2ply

"Z" TOP fold towels 1 & 2ply

"V" Interfold towels 1 & 2ply.

"V" Mini Interfold towels 1ply

Flight towels (in white colour only and all range 2ply)

Roll towels in all sizes 1ply

Medical roll towels in all sizes 1ply

Except as indicated above, products are available in all main colours (white, natural, green & blue)

pd-Tissues is the authorised and accredited UK agent for Cartiera San Giorgio ("CSG") and its associated company Cartindustria Ligure ("CL"). Peter Digby is the Director and sole proprietor of PD-tissues. Further information about pd-Tissues is available on the company's website: www.pd-tissues.co.uk

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- *Statement of Conformance to quality standard ISO or equivalent*

Cartiera San Giorgio operate their business of manufacturing parent reels of disposable paper tissue for converting into finished products adhering to strict standards of quality control. For example, the waste paper purchased for the mill is of a consistent quality and conforms to the requirements of Cartiera San Giorgio's process control systems and according to EU guidelines and regulations applicable in Italy. Waste paper is only sourced from reputable suppliers with periodic review and examination to ensure a continual flow of qualitative raw material to the converting plant. The dyes used in the production process are non-toxic and are approved for products suitable for use in food preparation areas and medical sites, meeting all industry standards in this respect. Cartiera San Giorgio complies with all regulatory and statutory requirements relating to Health and Safety in the Workplace and Employment law as they apply in the EU and Italy. Cartiera San Giorgio is committed to the manufacture of products using recycled materials and therefore demonstrates a commitment to operate as an environment-friendly company.

Cartindustria Ligure source mother reels from Cartiera San Giorgio and purchase 2ply grade paper from other selected mills who meet their criteria. The mother reels conform to all EU regulations relating to paper source and dye materials and the CL manufacturing process is closely monitored throughout. The logging process in place at converting enables traceability in respect of all materials used by a) coding on mother reels and b) printing the date and hour of converting on every carton of finished product 'CSG_QS_produzione_05_02_10.pdf' - tab 06.00-14.00 MP - which records details of production on all machinery on the middle shift.

- *Material Specification, Standards and Grades*

Specification technical data sheet information is available as and when requested including nearest equivalents to your requirements if information is made available to us.

- *Pricing Schedule*

All prices are quoted in Euros and are delivered prices, provision can be made to deliver full loads direct to large volume customers if required.

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