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ASPI Announces 2009 Fall Customer Alignment Meeting

The Association of Suppliers to the Paper Industry (ASPI) is pleased to announce that its 2009 Fall Customer Alignment Meeting will be held September 23-24, 2009 at the Marriott Dayton in Dayton, Ohio USA and will be hosted by NewPage Corporation. ASPI's Customer Alignment Meetings are designed to provide a forum for meaningful communication between the top executives of the Paper Industry and their suppliers.

"This is a rare opportunity for us to learn from our customer's top executives," states ASPI President David Withers, President of Coldwater Group. "ASPI's Customer Alignment Meeting last fall with MeadWestvaco allowed us to know their management team and gain a clear understanding of what they want to accomplish and how we as suppliers can help." George Martin, Senior Vice President Operations for NewPage, commented, "NewPage is enthusiastic to participate in this initiative to work more closely with our supplier community. We're looking forward to building our relationships and fostering greater dialog as well as having the opportunity to share best practices."

Members of the NewPage executive leadership team will address the company's future strategic direction, and will share their ideas for how key suppliers can help them meet future business goals.

Preliminary program includes the following executives from NewPage:

- Mark Suwyn – Executive Chairman of the Board
- Rick Willett – President and CEO
- George Martin – Senior Vice President Operations
- Mike Marziale – Senior Vice President Marketing, Strategy and General Management
- Dave Prystash – Senior Vice President and CFO
- Dan Clark – Senior Vice President Business Excellence and CIO
- David Oliver – Vice President Corporate Engineering and Maintenance
- Wayne Howard – Vice President Sourcing and Logistics
- Mark Lukacs – Vice President Paper Operations

ASPI, a non-profit association, is the leading association of companies that supply products and or services to the pulp, paper and board industry since 1933. Member participation consists primarily of CEO's, owners, and senior management executives. ASPI's mission is to assist its member supplier companies in providing increased economic benefits to their customers through collective knowledge, initiatives and efforts. ASPI's unique value proposition is a combination of compelling program content and an influential business network.

Additional details on the program as well as registration information are available online at www.aspinet.org.

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About NewPage Corporation

Headquartered in Miamisburg, Ohio, NewPage Corporation is the largest coated paper manufacturer in North America, based on production capacity, with \$4.4 billion in net sales for the year ended December 31, 2008. The company's product portfolio is the broadest in North America and includes coated freesheet, coated groundwood, supercalendered, newsprint and specialty papers. These papers are used for corporate collateral, commercial printing, magazines, catalogs, books, coupons, inserts, newspapers, packaging applications and direct mail advertising.

NewPage owns paper mills in Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Nova Scotia, Canada. These mills have a total annual production capacity of approximately 4.4 million tons of paper, including approximately 3.2 million tons of coated paper, approximately 1.0 million tons of uncoated paper and approximately 200,000 tons of specialty paper.

For additional information, please visit the company's Web site at www.NewPageCorp.com.