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Hopkins Printing earns prestigious environmental certification

COLUMBUS – Hopkins Printing continues to demonstrate its commitment to environmentally responsible business practices by recently earning a prestigious certification from the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC).

Hopkins Printing achieved FSC certification after a complete audit and inspection of its printing facility in Columbus. The certification verifies that Hopkins Printing is part of a “Chain of Custody” that tracks certified paper products from the forest to the printer and ensures that FSC-certified products originate from well-managed forests.

The FSC is an international organization that brings people together to find solutions that promote responsible stewardship of the world’s forests. Proper forest management ensures that the harvest of timber and non-timber products maintains the forest's biodiversity, productivity and ecological processes.

Hopkins Printing’s Chain of Custody certification means that certain paper purchased by the company is segregated and documented as having originated in an FSC-certified forest, thereby giving Hopkins Printing the ability to produce environmentally responsible printed products by using FSC-certified paper. The company’s clients may now choose to use FSC-certified paper and the FSC logo on their printed product to inform their customers of their choice to use forest-friendly paper stock.

“We take seriously our responsibility to a healthy environment for our children and grandchildren.” said Jim Hopkins, president of Hopkins Printing. “We want to be part of an industry that is known for being a positive part of society.”

By becoming FSC certified, Hopkins Printing’s plant is part of a larger picture of FSC-certified forests, mills, merchants and other printers who all choose to be environmentally conscious and stand against irresponsible forestry practices.

Hopkins has always worked hard to be an environmentally friendly printing company – soy based inks, recycled blanket wash, waste removal systems and a paper baler are just a few of their efforts.

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About Forest Stewardship Council

The FSC is a non-profit organization that monitors logging procedures and works to eliminate logging accompanying practices such as habitat destruction, water pollution, displacement of indigenous people and violence against people and wildlife.

About Hopkins Printing

Hopkins Printing is a leading high quality sheet-fed commercial printer in Central Ohio with over \$17 million in annual sales. Hopkins Printing is a 100% Employee Owned company that has been in business for over 29 years, Hopkins has been named Best Workplace in America by Printing Industry of America and has received the Better Business Bureau Integrity Award.

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