

SUOMINEN CORPORATION

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SUOMINEN FLEXIBLE PACKAGING EXPANDING IN POLAND

The Board of Directors of Suominen Corporation has decided to expand the plant operated by the Flexible Packaging business area in Poland. The investment, which amounts to a good EUR 7 million, will double the plant's present capacity.

Suominen Flexible Packaging's facility in Poland is a greenfield plant, built in Grodzisk near Warsaw in 1999-2000. The printing capacity of the plant was expanded to include the two existing presses in 2002. Sales have increased rapidly and the existing capacity is being fully utilized. Thanks to the expansion, net sales of more than EUR 6 million will be doubled, with the focus on Poland, the rest of Central Europe, Russia, and the Baltic countries.

The expansion projects will comprise expansion of the facilities themselves, acquisition of two new presses, and a substantial increase in the converting capacity.

The project will be implemented in 2003 and 2004. The new capacity is scheduled to be operational on May 1, 2004, when Poland is expected to become a member of the EU.

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