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Future Printing Center and CTC merge to form Forest Pilot Center Oy

The shareholders of two Raisio-based pilot plants, the Future Printing Center Oy (FPC) and Coating Technology Center (CTC), have signed a deal on the merger of their operations as of 15 October 2008. According to the agreement FPC acquires ownership of the CTC business operations. The merger will establish a joint-stock company, owned by the plant's current shareholders Ciba Finland Oy, Hansaprint Oy, Omya Oy and Metso Paper Oy, and as a new one Nordkalk Oyj Abp. The CTC's employees will automatically transfer to the FPC Oy.

Following the merger, the two pilot plants will operate under the name Forest Pilot Center Oy. The new service entity will form an efficient and unique hub for product development for customers in the paper and graphic arts industries, including papermakers, ink manufacturers, and pigment and chemicals suppliers around the world.

"Our guiding principle will be to continuously develop our offering in order to meet the needs of our customers. This is where our highly skilled staff and state-of-the-art technology come in. We aim to further extend the ownership base so as to bring the different players within the forest cluster closer together. Furthermore, we hope to build a stronger service offering and improve the level of service to customers through one-stop shopping", explains Päivi Miettinen, Managing Director of FPC Oy.

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