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AFPA congratulates Oji on new cardboard facility in south east Queensland

The Australian Forest Products Association (AFPA) congratulates Oji Fibre Solutions (OjiFS) on the opening of a new cardboard manufacturing plant at Yatala, in south east Queensland, CEO of AFPA, Mr Ross Hampton said today.

"OjiFS is one of Australasia's largest pulp, paper and packaging companies and it's great to have their new \$72 million corrugated cardboard factory launched in Brisbane's southern suburbs today," Mr Hampton said.

"This new plant at Yatala is a vote of confidence in Australian manufacturing and will continue to feed the growth in demand for corrugated packaging in Queensland, which is expected to grow at twice the national rate.

"The facility will have the capacity to produce a kilometre of cardboard every three minutes, but it's particularly exciting to examine the site's green credentials which include; a rainwater harvesting system (reducing potable water consumption by 80 per cent), a 100kw solar PV system, daylight sensors, a lighting control system, and an overall Environmentally Sustainable Design.

"The Yatala operation is expected to create supply chain opportunities for around 50 local businesses; from plumbing and electrical to general service industries.

"The team at AFPA congratulate OjiFS on this important milestone and its broader contribution to Australia's pulp, paper and packaging sector," Mr Hampton concluded.

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