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Metsä Fibre in Finland to close old pulp mill to convert it to bioproduct mill

Metsä Fibre closed down the old pulp mill in Kemi with the start-up of the new Kemi bioproduct mill in Finland. The securitisation and preparation for dismantling of the old mill started immediately after the shutdown. The actual demolition will start in early 2024 and the project will run until 2025. In the first phase, the old mill will be made safe so that the dismantling process is not dangerous and the work goes as smoothly as possible, according to Erkkä Tahvanainen, VP Production Development, Metsä Fibre. The demolition project will employ a few dozen people and will involve both mill people and external operators. The machinery and equipment of the demolished factory will be recycled for reuse as different metals. The Kemi bioproduct mill produces 1.5 million tonnes of softwood and hardwood pulp annually. It uses zero fossil fuels and will be completely waste-free by 2030. Metsä Fibre is a leading producer of bioproducts, biochemicals and bioenergy. Metsä Fibre is a part of Metsä Group.

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