Tissue and baby wipe plants closure in UK

Kimberly-Clark (K-C) is to close two of its UK-based sites – a tissue plant and a baby wipes plant – to meet the government's plastics ban. K-C's consultation was initiated following the UK government's decision to ban all baby wipes containing plastic in the UK from mid-2026. The Flint plants currently manufacture bathroom tissue and baby wipes, and K-C is now intending to import baby wipes from a third-party supplier and move production to its mill in Germany. The closures could result in the loss of 350 jobs, with additional job losses seen in the supply chain.