



Forest and Wood Products

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**KRUGER ALLOWED TO CONTINUE  
ACTIVITIES ON ÎLE RENÉ-LEVASSEUR**

**Decision of the Court of Appeal**

**Montréal (Québec), April 28, 2006** – The Quebec Court of Appeal today reversed the decision rendered last June by the Superior Court. Kruger Inc. may therefore continue its regular harvesting and forest management activities on Île René-Levasseur.

“This decision, which ensures the company’s timber supplies according to the timber supply and forest management contract signed with the Quebec government in 1997, will also ensure the jobs of Kruger and contractors’ forest workers, as well as the jobs of employees in the three Kruger mills on the North Shore, i.e. Scierie Manic in Ragueneau, Scierie HCN in Forestville and the Longue-Rive planing and drying mill. It also secures the supply of wood chips from the North Shore destined for the Kruger Wayagamack mill in Trois-Rivières,” said Mr. Jean Majeau, Vice President Corporate Affairs for Kruger Inc.

Kruger is a major pulp and paper company engaged in the manufacturing and sale of newsprint, specialty grades, lightweight coated paper, directory paper, tissue, recycled linerboard, corrugated containers, lumber and other wood products, including DRICore, the most recently patented unique engineered sub-flooring system. Kruger Energy Inc. is a producer of green and renewable energy. Scott Paper Limited, a member of the Kruger Company, is the leading tissue manufacturer in Canada. Scott Paper serves the Canadian consumer market with well-known brands including Cashmere, Purex, SpongeTowels, Scotties, White Swan, White Cloud, as well as away from home products for industrial and commercial use across Canada. The Kruger company has operations in Québec, Ontario, Alberta, British Columbia and Newfoundland and Labrador, the United States, United Kingdom and employs over 10,500 people.

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