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Dear Sir / Madam

**SUPPORT FOR AUSTRALIAN PAPER SUBMISSION - DUMPING  
INVESTIGATION ADC 225 – COPY PAPER EXPORTED FROM CHINA**

I write to indicate the support of Latrobe City Council for the Australian Paper submission to the Australian Government Anti-Dumping Commission.

Latrobe City is located to the east of Melbourne in the Gippsland region with a Gross Regional Product of approximately \$4.9 billion. Latrobe City is a key regional centre and a major industrial hub for the state of Victoria.

Latrobe City Council recognises the fundamental importance of Australian Paper to the community of Latrobe City. The company is our largest private sector employer and has demonstrated a proud history of investment into the local economy since commencement of the Maryvale Mill in 1937.

The flow on impact of the company's presence in Latrobe City is immense as indicated by an estimated \$1.2 billion in total output being generated in the Gippsland Region by the pulp, paper & paperboard sector.

Latrobe City Council has had a significant long term interest and involvement in facilitating an open access intermodal freight terminal to meet the needs of our region. It is identified that the Australian Paper freight train, which transports product from the Maryvale Mill to the Port of Melbourne on a daily basis underpins the viability of this important project.

Recent analysis indicates that the company generates more than \$750 million annually to Australia's Gross Domestic Product, supports around 6,000 flow-on jobs and contributes more than \$450 million in national household income per annum.

Furthermore, Australian Paper is the only producer of office and printing paper located in Australia with competing product being imported, largely from Asia.

It is therefore of considerable concern to be advised of reports of increasing product dumping by Australian Paper's competitors and urgent attention to address the matter is sought.

I would welcome the opportunity to provide further information if required and invite you to contact me on (03) 5128 5676 or via email [Geoff.Hill@latrobe.vic.gov.au](mailto:Geoff.Hill@latrobe.vic.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. Hill', written in a cursive style.

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