12.0 PAPER MILL PROJECT

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Malaysian Pacific Industries (MPI), a local packaging specialist, announced plans in late November 1989 to set up a M\$130 million paper mill in the country. The plant will have an initial capacity to produce 120,000 tonnes of paper annually and will be able to produce 200,000 tonnes when it reaches full capacity in four years. The company will enlist the help of experts on technology for the project as it is the group's policy to manufacture internationally recognised quality products. According to the Project Manager, Mr. K.B. Chin, the company would consider joint venture arrangements with foreign capital and expertise. The new mill will manufacture line board, medium paper and sack kraft which are the main raw materials for paper packaging products.