



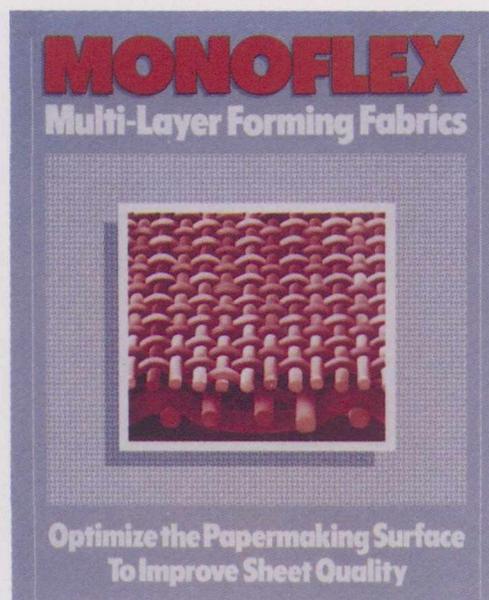
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James Ross Limited designs and manufactures proprietary engineered systems and equipment for the international pulp and paper industry. The company specializes in the manufacture of doctors and doctor holders for conventional pulp and paper machines. It has a patented design for high-speed tissue machines. The Rossilator shower system includes an electro-mechanical oscillator and showers of various designs. Other products include felt/fabric dewatering devices and plastic wear strips. About 40% of James Ross' products are exported, primarily to the U.S. with about 10% of sales being offshore North America. All sales activity is managed from company head office in Brockville, Ontario. James Ross has a network of agents in the U.S. but is also seeking affiliations with Japanese/Pacific Rim and Scandinavian companies with a view to technology transfer.



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Founded in 1904, Johnson Wires now employs 300 people in the manufacturing and marketing of clothing and drainage equipment for the pulp and paper industry and is one of the leading developers of new products in Canada. Johnson Wires' products include woven synthetic single and multilayer forming fabrics for the wet end of fourdrinier machines, twin wires and hybrid formers. Different mesh and weave designs of these forming fabrics are available to produce a range of paper products from tissue to wallboard, including pulp. Synthetic and stainless steel screens are also produced for pulp preparation operations. The company manufactures dewatering equipment to optimize the drainage on the wet end of a paper machine. These products are stationary components such as foil units, foil blades, low and high vacuum boxes, and vacuum control equipment. All the above products are supported by applications, sales and technical service groups which are available at all times.