CEPI, the Confederation of European Paper Industries, has launched a new set of guidelines for assessing the Transport Carbon Footprint in the European pulp and paper industry. The guidelines help harmonise the way pulp & paper companies measure the share of their products’ carbon footprint related to transport. They also allow companies to deliver a transparent and credible assessment. The content has been assembled by CEPI’s Transportation Network and contributes to CEPI’s ‘Framework for the development of Carbon Footprints for Paper and Board Products’, released in September 2007.

Transport is a critical issue for the European pulp and paper industry, especially because of its close relation to costs, energy and climate change. "We already announced in our latest Sustainability Report, that we are creating these guidelines to help companies gain a better understanding of their environmental impact of both in and outbound transport. The assessment will then help them devise ways to reduce the impact of transport", said Bernard Lombard, CEPI Trade & Competitiveness Director.

Downloads
CEPI Transport Carbon Footprint assessment guidelines:
http://www.cepi.org/content/default.asp?PageID=558&DocID=25539
CEPI Framework for the development of Carbon Footprints for Paper and Board Products:
http://www.cepi.org/content/default.asp?PageID=558&DocID=13681
CEPI Sustainability Report:
http://www.cepi.org/content/default.asp?PageID=558&DocID=25112

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Its collective expertise provides a unique source of information both for and on the industry; coordinating essential exchanges of experience and knowledge among its members, the ability to provide technical assistance to legislators and to identify independent experts on specific issues.

Through its 19 member countries (17 European Union members plus Norway and Switzerland) CEPI represents some 760 pulp, paper and board producing companies across Europe, ranging from small and medium sized companies to multi-nationals, and 1080 paper mills. Together they represent 26% of world production.