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## **Boise Inc. Joins Chicago Climate Exchange®**

Chicago, Ill. (July 24, 2008) – Boise Inc. has become a member of the Chicago Climate Exchange (CCX®), the world's first and North America's only voluntary, legally binding integrated greenhouse gas emissions reduction, registry and trading system.

As part of its membership in CCX, Boise Inc. has made a voluntarily but legally-binding commitment to achieve an absolute greenhouse gas emission reduction of six percent below its baseline – a four-year average of the years 1998 to 2001 – by the end of 2010. CCX operates a cap-and-trade system. Members who beat the targets have surplus allowances to sell or bank, and those who have emissions above the targets must purchase CCX Carbon Financial Instrument contracts to achieve compliance. Third-party verification is provided by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), a leading financial regulator in the United States.

"We welcome Boise Inc. to CCX. As a leader in their field, they bring their experience and know-how to this important issue. CCX and its members look forward to working with them," said Dr. Richard L. Sandor, CCX's Chairman and CEO. "Boise's membership underscores the importance of having a third-party verified, rules-based system such as CCX that can complement and enhance corporate sustainability and greenhouse gas mitigation and management initiatives already underway."

"We are committed to comprehensive sustainability in our social, environmental, and economic actions," said Alexander Toeldte, President and CEO, Boise Inc.

"Reducing energy use improves our financial performance and supports our stewardship principle of managing our businesses to sustain environmental resources for future generations. Our participation in the Chicago Climate Exchange will allow us to capture greater value from our greenhouse gas reduction efforts. We have already reduced fossil fuel use per ton of production at our paper mills by 28% from 1996 to 2007, and increased our renewable energy use to 64% of total energy consumption during the same period."

### **About Boise Inc.**

Headquartered in Boise, Idaho, Boise Inc. (NYSE: BZ) manufactures packaging products and papers including corrugated containers, containerboard, label and release and flexible packaging papers, imaging papers for the office and home, printing and converting papers, newsprint, and market pulp. Our entire team of more than 4,600 employees is

committed to delivering excellent value while managing our businesses to sustain environmental resources for future generations. Visit our website at <http://www.BoiseInc.com>.

### **About Chicago Climate Exchange, Inc. and Chicago Climate Futures Exchange**

CCX is an Exchange whose objectives are to apply financial innovation and incentives to advance social, environmental and economic goals. CCX, which began trading in 2003, is the world's first and North America's only legally binding, rules-based greenhouse gas emissions allowance trading system, as well as the world's only global system for emissions trading based on all six greenhouse gases. CCX members are leaders in greenhouse gas management and mitigation, including offset providers and offset aggregators, and located throughout the United States. CCX members derive from all sectors of the global economy, including the public sector, and emissions reductions being achieved through CCX by major utilities, corporations, cities, states and counties, are the only reductions in North America being achieved through a legally binding compliance regime, subject to independent third party verification provided by FINRA and price transparency. The founder, Chairman and CEO of CCX is economist and financial innovator Dr. Richard L. Sandor, who was named a Hero of the Planet by Time magazine in 2002 for his founding of CCX, and in 2007 as the "father of carbon trading." For a full history of CCX, full roster of CCX members, daily prices and other Exchange information, see [www.chicagoclimateexchange.com](http://www.chicagoclimateexchange.com).

Chicago Climate Futures Exchange (CCFE), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Chicago Climate Exchange, is a CFTC designated contract market which offers standardized and cleared futures and options contracts on emission allowances and other environmental products. Clearing services are provided by The Clearing Corporation, the only active independent futures clearinghouse in the world. Market surveillance services are provided by the National Futures Association, the industrywide, self-regulatory organization for the U.S. futures industry.

CCX, a U.S. corporation, launched its trading platform in 2003. In 2005, CCX launched the European Climate Exchange (ECX), now the leading exchange operating in the European Union Emissions Trading Scheme. Since 2006, both CCX and ECX have been owned by Climate Exchange plc, a publicly traded company listed on the AIM division of the London Stock Exchange (CLE.L).

CCX has members nationwide and internationally including major manufacturing companies, utilities, governmental entities and universities.

More information about CCX can be found at this link:

<http://www.chicagoclimatex.com/>.



Beyond What's Expected.™

## Boise® Flexible Packaging Papers

Boise offers a wide variety of products to meet our customers' quality and environmental standards as well as Boise's stringent manufacturing guidelines. Our extensive line of Flexible Packaging products is primarily manufactured at our International Falls, MN; and St Helen's, OR facilities.



**Boise® C1S FlexPack** is the ideal material for a variety of flexible packaging end-uses including pouches, lidding, and laminating applications. Key features include bright, blue-white shade, high gloss, and meet the FDA requirements for direct food contact. Boise's C1S FlexPack is available in a 30% post consumer fiber content option with FSC Chain of Custody Certification.



**Boise® C1S FlexBag** is great for a variety of flexible packaging and laminating applications where superior strength is essential. Typical end uses include single-wall and multi-wall bag applications including retail shopping bags. Key features include bright blue-white shade, excellent strength properties, superior crack resistance, and meets the FDA requirements for direct food contact. Boise C1S FlexBag is available in a 30% post consumer fiber content option with FSC Chain-of-Custody Certification.



## Boise® EcoOGR™ Grease Resistant Paper

Boise® EcoOGR™ is a high-strength grease resistant paper manufactured without the use of fluorochemicals while providing the same functionality and performance as traditionally fluorochemical treated paper. This OGR solution is SFI Chain-of-Custody Certified.

## Managing our business to sustain environmental resources for future generations.

At Boise Inc. we balance all the facets of sustainability – a commitment that guides our social, environmental, and business actions.

Boise Inc. aims to serve our customers and provide returns to our investors. We do this by working safely, enhancing the communities where we operate, using natural resources intelligently, and taking a stand to improve the global environment.

### Managed Forests

Sustainable paper production begins with the forest itself. Boise's environmental principles guide our wood procurement processes. As such our wood procurement is carried out under the Sustainable Forestry Initiative® SFI® standards. These standards insure protection of air, water, soil and wildlife habitat.

Chain of custody certification helps our customers certify & track sustainable wood attributes from fiber sources to the end user. All Boise paper facilities that manufacture flexible packaging papers have wood procurement systems that are chain of custody certified with The Sustainable Forestry Initiative SFI® and the Programme for the Endorsement Forest Certification PEFC. Our Jackson AL and International Falls MN facilities also extend Forest Stewardship Council FSC Chain of Custody certification to the products they produce. Boise undergoes regular audits to assure our systems comply with stringent standards. Boise provides customers chain of custody documentation on invoices, shipping manifests and selected product packaging.



### Manufacturing Responsibly

Manufacturing's role in the flow of paper is crucial, and Boise's plants are among the world's most responsible. Boise strives to reduce energy consumption, green house gas emissions, and waste. All Boise facilities that manufacture flexible packaging

papers meet the ISO 14001 standard for environmental management systems. Boise is an Energy Star® partner. Boise's manufacturing excellence has achieved the following milestones.

- Climate Change – For the five year period from 2002 to 2007, we have decreased our use of purchased fossil fuels in our paper mills by approximately 26%, while increasing production by nearly 3%.
- Energy Consumption – Currently, 64% of the energy we use is from renewable biomass sources.
- Waste Reduction – We put 47% of the residuals generated by our paper making process to beneficial use.
- Our recycling operations save about 1 million trees each year.

#### **Acknowledgements and Awards**

- Boise has been recognized as a climate leader by the Environmental Protection Agency.
- Boise received the 2008 AF&PA Outstanding Achievement award in waste residuals.
- Our Jackson AL facility recycling and educational outreach program received the 2008 AF&PA Recycling Award in the business category
- As part of our membership in Chicago Climate Exchange, Boise Inc. has made a voluntarily but legally-binding commitment to achieve an absolute reduction of direct greenhouse gas emission reduction of six percent below its baseline – a four-year average of the years 1998 to 2001 – by the end of 2010.

Chain-of-custody certification is available on a wide variety of flexible packaging products. Please inquire form more information.

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