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Division of Nuclear Materials Safety  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region I  
2100 Renaissance Blvd., Suite 100  
King of Prussia, PA 19406-2713

Re: NRC License No. 19-00373-02 (Docket No. 030-04525)  
License Amendment to Update Corporate Name and Form

Dear Mr. Lodhi:

Verso Corporation ("Verso"), on behalf of its subsidiary Luke Paper Company (the "Licensee"), hereby submits NRC Form 313 requesting an amendment to NRC License No. 19-00373-02 (the "License") to reflect a change in the Licensee's corporate name and corporate form (Attachment 1). The Licensee will be changing from "Luke Paper Company" to "Verso Luke LLC" as reflected in Attachment 1. The change in corporate form to a limited liability company will occur by statutory conversion. The change will occur in approximately two months, when certain other approvals are obtained. We will notify you after the change has occurred.

Verso is a leading North American producer of printing papers, specialty papers, and pulp, and owns a number of paper mills across the United States. The Licensee, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Verso, owns and operates one of those paper mills in Luke, Maryland. The Licensee is incorporated in Delaware. It holds NRC License No. 19-00373-02 for the use of radiological material in connection with its manufacturing processes.

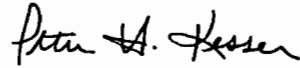
The change in the Licensee's name and corporate form will have no impact on licensed activities or the License, and will not result in a change of control over the License. See NUREG-1556, Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses, Vol. 15, Rev. 1, App. C, at C-5 (2016) (indicating that a change in corporate form does not result in a change in control).

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Please contact our outside counsel on this matter, Amy Roma at Hogan Lovells US LLP (amy.roma@hoganlovells.com; 202-637-6831) if you have any questions regarding this notification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter H. Kesser". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Peter" being the most prominent.


Peter H. Kesser

Enclosure:

Attachment 1 – NRC Form 313

cc: Amy Roma, Hogan Lovells US LLP  
Wade Robinson, Radiation Safety Officer, Luke Paper Company

## Attachment 1 – NRC Form 313

<p><b>NRC FORM 313</b>     <b>U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION</b></p> <p>(06-2016) 10 CFR 30, 32, 33, 34 35, 36, 37, 39, and 40</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p><b>APPLICATION FOR MATERIALS LICENSE</b></p> </div>	<p>APPROVED BY OMB: NO 3150-0120     EXPIRES: 06/30/2016</p> <p><small>Estimated burden per response to comply with this mandatory collection request: 4.3 hours. Submittal of the application is necessary to determine that the applicant is qualified and that adequate procedures exist to protect the public health and safety. Send comments regarding burden estimate to the FOIA, Privacy, and Information Collections Branch (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by e-mail to <a href="mailto:InfoCollect.Resource@nrc.gov">InfoCollect.Resource@nrc.gov</a>, and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202, (3150-0120), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. If a means used to impose an information collection does not display a currently valid OMB control number, the NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, the information collection.</small></p>								
<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS: SEE THE APPROPRIATE LICENSE APPLICATION GUIDE FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING APPLICATION. SEND TWO COPIES OF THE ENTIRE COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE NRC OFFICE SPECIFIED BELOW. *AMENDMENTS/RENEWALS THAT INCREASE THE SCOPE OF THE EXISTING LICENSE TO A NEW OR HIGHER FEE CATEGORY WILL REQUIRE A FEE.</b></p>									
<p><b>APPLICATION FOR DISTRIBUTION OF EXEMPT PRODUCTS FILE APPLICATIONS WITH:</b></p> <p>MATERIALS SAFETY LICENSING BRANCH DIVISION OF MATERIAL SAFETY, STATE, TRIBAL AND RULEMAKING PROGRAMS OFFICE OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS SAFETY AND SAFEGUARDS U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20555-0001</p> <p><b>ALL OTHER PERSONS FILE APPLICATIONS AS FOLLOWS:</b></p> <p><b>IF YOU ARE LOCATED IN:</b></p> <p>ALABAMA, CONNECTICUT, DELAWARE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, FLORIDA, GEORGIA, KENTUCKY, MAINE, MARYLAND, MASSACHUSETTS, NEW HAMPSHIRE, NEW JERSEY, NEW YORK, NORTH CAROLINA, PENNSYLVANIA, PUERTO RICO, RHODE ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA, TENNESSEE, VERMONT, VIRGINIA, VIRGIN ISLANDS, OR WEST VIRGINIA.</p> <p><b>SEND APPLICATIONS TO:</b></p> <p>LICENSING ASSISTANCE TEAM DIVISION OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS SAFETY U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION, REGION I 2100 RENAISSANCE BOULEVARD, SUITE 100 KING OF PRUSSIA, PA 19406-2713</p>	<p><b>IF YOU ARE LOCATED IN:</b></p> <p>ILLINOIS, INDIANA, IOWA, MICHIGAN, MINNESOTA, MISSOURI, OHIO, OR WISCONSIN. <b>SEND APPLICATIONS TO:</b></p> <p>MATERIALS LICENSING BRANCH U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION, REGION III 2443 WARRENVILLE ROAD, SUITE 210 LISLE, IL 60532-4352</p> <p>ALASKA, ARIZONA, ARKANSAS, CALIFORNIA, COLORADO, HAWAII, IDAHO, KANSAS, LOUISIANA, MISSISSIPPI, MONTANA, NEBRASKA, NEVADA, NEW MEXICO, NORTH DAKOTA, OKLAHOMA, OREGON, PACIFIC TRUST TERRITORIES, SOUTH DAKOTA, TEXAS, UTAH, WASHINGTON, OR WYOMING.</p> <p><b>SEND APPLICATIONS TO:</b></p> <p>NUCLEAR MATERIALS LICENSING BRANCH U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION, REGION IV 1600 E. LAMAR BOULEVARD ARLINGTON, TX 76011-4511</p>								
<p><b>PERSONS LOCATED IN AGREEMENT STATES SEND APPLICATIONS TO THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION ONLY IF THEY WISH TO POSSESS AND USE LICENSED MATERIAL IN STATES SUBJECT TO U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION JURISDICTIONS.</b></p>									
<p>1. THIS IS AN APPLICATION FOR (Check appropriate item):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A. NEW LICENSE</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. AMENDMENT TO LICENSE NUMBER     <u>19-00373-02</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> C. RENEWAL OF LICENSE NUMBER     _____</p>	<p>2. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (include ZIP code)</p> <p>Verso Luke LLC 300 Pratt Street Luke, Maryland 21540-1099</p>								
<p>3. ADDRESS WHERE LICENSED MATERIAL WILL BE USED OR POSSESSED</p>	<p>4. NAME OF PERSON TO BE CONTACTED ABOUT THIS APPLICATION</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">BUSINESS TELEPHONE NUMBER</td> <td style="width: 50%;">BUSINESS CELLULAR TELEPHONE NUMBER</td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">BUSINESS EMAIL ADDRESS</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"> </td> </tr> </table>	BUSINESS TELEPHONE NUMBER	BUSINESS CELLULAR TELEPHONE NUMBER			BUSINESS EMAIL ADDRESS			
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<p><small>SUBMIT ITEMS 5 THROUGH 11 ON 8-1/2 X 11" PAPER. THE TYPE AND SCOPE OF INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED IS DESCRIBED IN THE LICENSE APPLICATION GUIDE.</small></p>									
<p>5. RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL</p> <p><small>a. Element and mass number; b. chemical and/or physical form; and c. maximum amount which will be possessed at any one time.</small></p>	<p>6. PURPOSE(S) FOR WHICH LICENSED MATERIAL WILL BE USED.</p>								
<p>8. TRAINING FOR INDIVIDUALS WORKING IN OR FREQUENTING RESTRICTED AREAS.</p>	<p>9. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT.</p>								
<p>10. RADIATION SAFETY PROGRAM</p>	<p>11. WASTE MANAGEMENT</p>								
<p>12. LICENSE FEES (Fees required only for new applications, with few exceptions) <small>(See 10 CFR 170 and Section 170.31)</small></p>	<p>FEE CATEGORY     <input type="text" value="N/A"/>     AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$     <input type="text" value="0.00"/></p>								
<p>13. CERTIFICATION (Must be completed by applicant) THE APPLICANT UNDERSTANDS THAT ALL STATEMENTS AND REPRESENTATIONS MADE IN THIS APPLICATION ARE BINDING UPON THE APPLICANT.</p> <p>THE APPLICANT AND ANY OFFICIAL EXECUTING THIS CERTIFICATION ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT, NAMED IN ITEM 2, CERTIFY THAT THIS APPLICATION IS PREPARED IN CONFORMITY WITH TITLE 10, CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, PARTS 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, AND 40, AND THAT ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.</p> <p>WARNING: 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1001 ACT OF JUNE 25, 1948 62 STAT. 749 MAKES IT A CRIMINAL OFFENSE TO MAKE A WILLFULLY FALSE STATEMENT OR REPRESENTATION TO ANY DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES AS TO ANY MATTER WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION.</p>									
<p>CERTIFYING OFFICER – TYPED/PRINTED NAME AND TITLE</p>	<p>SIGNATURE</p>								
<p>DATE</p>									
<p><b>FOR NRC USE ONLY</b></p>									
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - RECEIPT OF CORRESPONDENCE

<b>Name and Address of Applicant and/or Licensee</b>  Luke Paper Company ATTN: Allen Sanders, Luke Plant Manager 300 Pratt Street Luke, MD 21540-1099	<b>Date</b> August 18, 2016
	<b>License Number(s)</b> 19-00373-02
	<b>Mail Control Number(s)</b> 591719
	<b>Licensing and/or Technical Reviewer or Branch</b> Steve Courtemanche

This is to acknowledge receipt of your:  Letter and/or  Application Dated: 08/16/2016

The initial processing, which included an administrative review, has been performed.  
 Amendment  Termination  New License  Renewal

There were no administrative omissions identified during our initial review.

This is to acknowledge receipt of your application for renewal of the material(s) license identified above. Your application is deemed timely filed, and accordingly, the license will not expire until final action has been taken by this office.

Your application for a new NRC license did not include your taxpayer identification number. Please complete and submit NRC Form 531, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number, located at the following link: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/forms/nrc531.pdf>  
 Follow the instructions on the form for submission.

The following administrative omissions have been identified:  
 [Empty box for listing omissions]

Your application has been assigned the above listed MAIL CONTROL NUMBER. When calling to inquire about this action, please refer to this control number. Your application has been forwarded to a technical reviewer. Please note that the technical review, which is normally completed within 180 days for a renewal application (90 days for all other requests), may identify additional omissions or require additional information. If you have any questions concerning the processing of your application, our contact information is listed below:

<b>Region I</b> <b>U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission</b> <b>Division of Nuclear Materials Safety</b> <b>2100 Renaissance Boulevard, Suite 100</b> <b>King of Prussia, PA 19406-2713</b> <b>(610) 337-5260, (610) 337-5313,</b> <b>(610) 337-5398, or (610) 337-5239</b>
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