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## **Commission-free sales of Billerud shares concluded**

Around 21,000 directly registered shareholders responded to the offer of selling their shares without paying commission and the offer has now ended. The reduction in the number of directly registered shareholders benefits all owners of Billerud shares by cutting costs.

In addition to the large number of directly registered shareholders who participated in the scheme, around 20,000 shareholders registered via nominees also took advantage of the offer. The total number of shareholders has thus been reduced by around 40,000.

Billerud AB offered shareholders holding fewer than 100 shares the opportunity to sell their shares without paying commission. For historical reasons, Billerud has had many owners with small shareholdings. The offer ran from 12 May to 2 June 2008.

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*Billerud is a packaging paper company. The company's business concept is to offer demanding customers packaging materials and solutions that promote and protect their products – packaging that is attractive, strong, sustainable and based on renewable materials. Billerud has a world-leading position within several product segment; within paper for consumer and industrial packaging. Production takes place at three integrated pulp and paper mills in Sweden and at one paper mill in the UK.*