

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**PAPERLINX GROWTH MOMENTUM CONTINUES**

PaperlinX Limited announced today that Spicers Paper Inc (USA) have launched a greenfield paper merchanting operation in Kansas City, Mo. Headed by experienced USA paper marketing personnel, this expansion continues PaperlinX's North American paper merchanting growth. It follows the recent acquisition of Coast Paper Canada, and builds on Spicers Paper Inc North American operations based in the USA West Coast.

Managing Director of PaperlinX Ian Wightwick commented, "The pace of PaperlinX's growth continues as we build a substantial presence in North America with the support of our key paper suppliers."

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