

allowing them to turn tons away from outside suppliers.

The export market is very quiet right now. Prices have dropped off significantly, but mills in China and India are afraid that the bottom hasn't been reached yet. Ocean freights are going up again on April 1 by as much as \$350 per container. Since overseas mills aren't in a hurry to buy, the freight increase is being adjusted on the sell side with the packers.

Is the OCC price drop going to continue over the next few months? We're not in the crystal ball business.

But there is no question that the historic trend line (think average OCC price year over year) is heading up in 2010.—MA

OUTSTANDING MINORITY BUSINESS

World Pac Honored by NMBC

In recognition of the economic power of minority businesses, the National Minority Business Council, Inc. (NMBC)

Transacted Paper Stock Prices – High Grades

For detailed chart explanation, see page 11.

	New DLK Cuttings (13)	White News Blanks (24)	Coated Soft Wht. Shavings (28)	Hard White Shavings (30)	Hard White Env. Cuts (31)	Unprint Bleached Sulfate (47)
East	\$145-155 (-30)	190-200 (+20)	375-385 (+50)	440-450 (+50)	530-540 (+50)	430-440 (+35)
Midwest	140-150 (-30)	175-185 (+15)	375-385 (+50)	440-450 (+50)	530-540 (+50)	420-430 (+35)
Southeast	150-160 (-30)	165-175 (+15)	385-395 (+50)	450-460 (+50)	530-540 (+50)	410-420 (+35)
Southwest	150-160 (-30)	175-185 (+15)	395-405 (+50)	485-495 (+50)	530-540 (+50)	420-430 (+35)
Los Angeles	120-130 (-30)	205-215 (0)	405-415 (+50)	465-475 (+50)	470-480 (+50)	425-435 (+35)
San Francisco	105-115 (-30)	205-215 (0)	405-415 (+50)	465-475 (+50)	470-480 (+50)	425-435 (+35)
Pacific NW	120-130 (-30)	205-215 (0)	405-415 (+50)	465-475 (+50)	470-480 (+50)	425-435 (+35)

Source: Official Board Markets

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presented Cincinnati-based World Pac Paper, LLC the Outstanding Minority Business Award. The NMBC held its 30th Annual Awards Luncheon on Feb. 25 in New York City. The event honored major corporations and minority enterprises whose leadership and endeavors in the past year contributed to the small business sector as a whole as it coped with the economic recession in the country. This event also celebrated the NMBC's 38th year of helping to grow minority businesses through education, training and advocacy.

The Outstanding Minority Business Award goes to that minority business that has demonstrated innovative, creative and productive endeavors to ensure stability and sustainability for its business and customers.

Edgar Smith, Jr., chairman and ceo of World Pac Paper, LLC accepted the prestigious award on behalf of World Pac Paper, LLC.

Product Update

RTC Technologies, Inc. releases Version 10 of its **SCRAP TRAKKER** waste data collection and reporting system. Version 10 adds new tools and enhanced reports to identify high waste areas within a corrugated box plant and then monitor the progress at improving the process. **SCRAP TRAKKER** significantly reduces the costs associated with waste data collection and reporting. For many facilities, the savings reach hundreds of thousands of dollars each year. Simplifying the process of collecting scrap data, the automated system is designed for busy, multi-tasking users on the plant floor. Real time reporting puts critical information in the hands of plant supervisors when they need it, empowering them to make better scrap reducing decisions for each machine on each shift. Designed specifically to help corrugated box plants take better control of waste, **SCRAP TRAKKER** is a data collection and reporting software system combined with a data collection hardware package using touchscreen and barcode technologies. For more information, visit www.scraptrakker.com or call 888-554-8050, ext. 111.

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