

EXHIBIT 7

LIQUIDATING TRUST SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This settlement agreement (this "Agreement") is entered as of the ___th day of ____ 2007, by and among: Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC (individually, and as the entity formerly known as Credit Suisse First Boston, LLC and as successor-in-interest to Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corporation) (collectively, the "Defendant"), on the one hand; and The Crown Paper Liquidating Trust, Crown Paper Company, Crown Vantage, Inc., and Jeffrey H. Beck, as Liquidating Trustee to the Crown Paper Liquidating Trust, under the Second Amended Liquidating Plan of Reorganization as confirmed with further amendments at the Confirmation Hearing in the Bankruptcy Proceeding as defined below in the jointly administered Chapter 11 cases of Crown Paper Company and Crown Vantage, Inc (collectively, the "Plaintiffs"), on the other hand. This Agreement memorializes the settlement among the Plaintiffs and the Defendant (collectively the "Settling Parties"). The Settling Parties believe that this Agreement is fair and reasonable to all the Settling Parties, and entered into in good faith by all the Settling Parties.

DEFINITIONS

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the defined meanings set forth below:

A. The term "Bankruptcy Proceeding" means the Jointly Administered Case No. 00-41584N filed in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California.

B. The terms "Claim" or "Claims" mean all claims, causes of action, complaints, suits, debts, liens, judgments, obligations, liabilities, demands, losses, damages, costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees and expenses) of any kind, character or nature whatsoever, including claims filed in or scheduled in the Bankruptcy Proceeding, whether based in law or in equity, on federal, state, local, foreign, statutory or common law, or any other law, rule or regulation, or whether class, individual, derivative or direct, accrued or unaccrued, asserted or unasserted, known or unknown, concealed or hidden, foreseen or unforeseen, matured or not matured, fixed or contingent, whether direct or for indemnity, reimbursement, or contribution (any of the foregoing being herein referred to as a "Claim" and all of the foregoing being herein referred to collectively as "Claims").

C. The term "Court" means the United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

D. The term "Trustee" means Jeffrey H. Beck, Trustee for the Crown Paper Liquidating Trust.

E. The term "Debtors" means Chapter 11 debtors and debtors in possession of Crown Vantage, Inc. and Crown Paper Company.

F. The term "Lawsuit" means the action captioned at any time in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California as Crown Paper Liquidating Trust v. Coopers & Lybrand, et al., Case No. C 02-3836.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Settling Parties wish to promptly and fully resolve and settle the differences among them with respect to the Lawsuit, on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Settling Parties agree that the best interests of all involved will be served by an end to the Lawsuit and a clear resolution of all claims asserted therein;

WHEREAS, the Settling Parties intend to effect a good faith settlement, and agree that this Agreement will be entered into for that purpose;

WHEREAS, the Settling Parties believe that the Settlement is fair and reasonable, and with adequate consideration being exchanged by the Settling Parties, and negotiated and entered into in good faith.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Settling Parties agree as follows:

1. **Incorporation of Definitions.**

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2. **No Remaining Actions.**

The Settling Parties agree that this Agreement ends all controversies and disagreements between the Plaintiffs and the Defendant relating to Crown, the Debtors, the spin-off of Crown from James River, or the allegations of wrongdoing alleged in the Lawsuit arising from services provided by Defendant. Plaintiffs represent that they have no Tolling Agreements with any other persons or entities that shall remain in effect.

3. **Release of DEFENDANT RELEASED PARTIES.**

The Plaintiffs hereby release, acquit and forever discharge the Defendant from all Claims that Plaintiffs may have or claimed to have had in the past or which may hereafter arise out of, relate to, or be connected with any act or commission or omission of the Defendant relating to Crown, the Debtors, the spin-off of Crown from James River, or the allegations of wrongdoing alleged in the Lawsuit relating to any and all services provided to Crown Vantage, Inc., Crown Paper Company or James River, including further any Claims that constitute property of the Crown Paper Liquidating Trust (within the meaning of 11 U.S.C. § 541) and including all such Claims existing or occurring prior to the date of this Agreement, based on facts then in existence, whether known or unknown, excluding, however, any rights, remedies, claims or defenses arising under or in connection with this Agreement.

4. **Release of the CROWN RELEASED PARTIES.**

Defendant hereby releases, acquits and forever discharges the Plaintiffs from all Claims that the Defendant may have or claimed to have had in the past or which may hereafter arise out of, relate to, or be connected with any act or commission or omission of the Plaintiffs relating to

Defendant, the spin-off of Crown from James River, or the allegations of wrongdoing alleged in the Lawsuit relating to any and all services provided to Crown Vantage, Inc., Crown Paper Company or James River, and including all such Claims existing or occurring prior to the date of this Agreement, based on facts then in existence, whether known or unknown, excluding, however, any rights, remedies, claims or defenses arising under or in connection with this Agreement. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement, the parties recognize and agree that this release does not extend to James River Corporation of Virginia or its successors (collectively, "James River"), and that no provision in this Agreement shall be construed so as to grant any benefit to James River. Defendant shall file a Satisfaction of Judgment and Notice of Release of Lien in Case Nos. C-02-3838 MMC and C-02-3839 MMC, filed in the United States District Court, Northern District of California.

5. Nature of the Release Given.

A. DEFENDANT RELEASED PARTIES.

The Plaintiffs expressly acknowledge principles of law which provide that a general release does not extend to claims which a creditor does not know or suspect to exist in their favor at the time of executing the release which, if known by them, would have materially affected their settlement with the defendant(s). With respect to any and all Claims identified in paragraph 3, the Plaintiffs stipulate and agree that they expressly waive any and all provisions, rights and benefits conferred by any law, or principle of common law, which is similar, such as California Civil Code § 1542 and any similar or comparable provision that provide in substance:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR.

The Plaintiffs may hereafter discover facts in addition to or different from those that they now know or believe to exist or to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Claims identified in paragraph 3, but the Plaintiffs shall have fully, finally and forever settled and released any and all such Claims, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-contingent, whether or not concealed or hidden, which now exist, or heretofore have existed, upon any theory of law or equity existing or coming into existence in the future, including but not limited to conduct that is negligent, intentional, with or without malice, or a breach of any duty, law or rule, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts. The Plaintiffs acknowledge that the foregoing waiver was separately bargained for and is a material element of the settlement of which this release is a part.

B. CROWN RELEASED PARTIES.

The Defendant expressly acknowledges principles of law which provide that a general release does not extend to claims which a creditor does not know or suspect to exist in their favor

at the time of executing the release which, if known by them, would have materially affected their settlement with the Plaintiffs. With respect to any and all Claims identified in paragraph 4, therefore, the Defendant stipulates and agrees that it expressly waives any and all provisions, rights and benefits conferred by any law, or principle of common law, which is similar, such as California Civil Code § 1542 and any similar or comparable provision that provide in substance:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR.

The Defendant may hereafter discover facts in addition to or different from those that it now knows or believes to exist or to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Claims identified in paragraph 4, but the Defendant shall have fully, finally and forever settled and released any and all such Claims, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-contingent, whether or not concealed or hidden, which now exist, or heretofore have existed, upon any theory of law or equity existing or coming into existence in the future, including but not limited to conduct that is negligent, intentional, with or without malice, or a breach of any duty, law or rule, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts. The Defendant acknowledges that the foregoing waiver was separately bargained for and is a material element of the settlement of which this release is a part.

6. No Prior Transfer.

The Settling Parties hereby mutually represent and warrant that apart from the assignment of claims from the Debtors to the Trustee as part of the Bankruptcy Proceeding, there has been no assignment, sale or other transfer, disposition or encumbrance of any interest in any of the Claims released by this Settlement by the Defendant or by the Plaintiffs.

7. Due Authorization.

The Parties to this Agreement hereby represent and warrant that the individuals signing this Agreement on their behalf are duly authorized to enter into and fully competent to do so. The Trustee represents and warrants that he has authority to enter into and perform this Agreement and has secured the required approval of the Crown Paper Liquidating Trust Committee and that no further approvals are required, other than the approval of the Court.

8. Assignment, Predecessors, Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their legal representatives, predecessors, successors and assigns.

9. No Liability.

Plaintiffs acknowledge that this Agreement and the exchange of mutual releases do not represent an admission of wrongdoing by the Defendant.

10. Each Party Bears Own Fees and Costs.

The Settling Parties hereby agree that each Settling Party shall be solely responsible for its own attorneys' fees and costs incurred in connection with the Lawsuit and the negotiations leading to the execution of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Settling Party shall be entitled to retain all costs and/or fees paid to it by any other Settling Party prior to the execution of this Agreement.

11. Agreement Pleaded as Defense.

This Agreement may be pleaded as a full and complete defense to any action, suit or other proceeding which may be instituted, prosecuted or attempted for, upon or in respect of any of the claims released by this Settlement. The Settling Parties agree that any such proceeding would cause irreparable injury to the Settling Party against whom it is brought and that any court with personal and subject matter jurisdiction may enter an injunction restraining prosecution thereof.

12. Construction.

The Settling Parties hereby mutually acknowledge and represent that they have been fully advised by their respective legal counsel of their rights and responsibilities under this Agreement, that they have read, know and understand completely the contents hereof, and that they have voluntarily executed the same. The Settling Parties further hereby mutually acknowledge that they have had input into the drafting of this Agreement and that, accordingly, in any construction to be made of this Agreement, it shall not be construed for or against any party, but rather shall be given a fair and reasonable interpretation, based on the plain language of this Agreement and the expressed intent of the parties.

13. Captions and Headings.

The Settling Parties agree that the captions and headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience only and agree that the captions and headings shall not be deemed to constitute a part of this Agreement.

14. Conditions of the Agreement.

The Settling Parties acknowledge that this Agreement is subject to and conditioned upon the approval of the Court. This Agreement shall not be binding unless and until the terms of the Settlement Agreement between Fort James Corporation, Fort James International Holdings, Ltd., and Georgia-Pacific Consumer Products LP (f/k/a Fort James Operating Company), on the one hand and Jeffrey H. Beck, as Liquidating Trustee to the Crown Paper Liquidating Trust, under the Second Amended Liquidating Plan of Reorganization as confirmed with further amendments at the Confirmation Hearing in the Bankruptcy Proceeding as defined below in the jointly

administered Chapter 11 cases of Crown Paper Company and Crown Vantage, Inc., on the other hand, are approved by the Court and consummated. The Settling Parties agree to submit this Agreement for approval by the Court simultaneously with submission by Fort James and Jeffrey H. Beck of the Settlement Agreement between Fort James and Jeffrey H. Beck as described in this paragraph.

15. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement and the documents contemplated hereby constitute the entire agreement and understanding between the parties relating to the subject matter contained herein, and as such terminate, supersede, and replace any and all prior arrangements, understandings, representations, promises, inducements, or other communications, whether written or oral, between the Settling Parties. The Settling Parties each agree and represent that no oral understandings, statements, promises, or inducements contrary or supplementary to the terms of this Agreement exist. This Agreement may not be altered, amended or modified in any respect or particular whatsoever except by a writing duly executed by each of the parties hereto and unequivocally indicating their intent to modify this Agreement.

16. If Agreement Not Effective.

If this Agreement does not become effective for any reason, it shall be deemed negotiation for settlement purposes only and will not be admissible in evidence or usable for any purpose whatsoever.

17. Enforceability of Agreement.

Each of the Settling Parties represents to the other Settling Parties:

(i) That this Agreement constitutes a valid, binding, and enforceable obligation of each Settling Party, its terms are lawful and fair, and it constitutes an equitable settlement of their differences, and is entered into in good faith by all the Settling Parties.

(ii) The Settling Parties agree never to revoke or contest the validity or enforceability of this Agreement, and to cooperate as needed to procure a finding of good faith by the appropriate court should such a finding be necessary or helpful to any of the Settling Parties.

(iii) Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, in whole or in part, under any applicable law or rule in any jurisdiction, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision or any other jurisdiction, but this Agreement shall be deemed modified and reformed in such jurisdiction, and shall be construed and enforced in such jurisdiction as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained therein, and the remaining provisions, as modified or reformed, shall remain in full force and effect in such jurisdiction.

18. Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original, so that all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument. The Settling Parties agree that a signature sent by facsimile to counsel for the other Settling Party shall have the same force and effect as an original signature.

19. Governing Law.

This Agreement shall be governed, construed and enforced according to the laws of the State of California without regard to conflicts of law principles.

20. Waiver of Claims and Defenses.

The Settling Parties hereby agree that this Agreement shall not be subject to any claim of fraud, duress, deceit, mistake of law or mistake of fact, and, that it expresses the full and complete settlement of the Settling Parties.

21. Cooperation of the Parties.

The Settling Parties agree to cooperate in good faith, and to use their best efforts, to effect all of the terms of this Agreement.

22. Court Retains Jurisdiction to Enforce This Agreement.

The Settling Parties agree that the Court retains jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF and in agreement herewith, the Settling Parties have executed and delivered this Agreement, as of the date first above written.

JEFFREY H. BECK, Trustee
Crown Paper Liquidating Trust

By _____
Crown Paper Company, by Crown
Paper Liquidating Trust as Successor,
by Jeffrey H. Beck, Trustee

By _____
Crown Vantage, Inc., by Crown
Paper Liquidating Trust as Successor,
by Jeffrey H. Beck, Trustee

By _____
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Liquidating Trust

**CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) LLC
(individually, and as the entity formerly known
as CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON, LLC and as
successor-in-interest to DONALDSON LUFKIN &
JENRETTE SECURITIES CORPORATION)**

By _____

Defendant's Counsel of Record (Signing as to Form)

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