

## Press release

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### Holmen

## Braviken paper mill back in production

Production at Holmen's Braviken paper mill outside Norrköping will be successively restarted this week after last week's fire.

As the fire, which broke out in the bark store and adjacent chip stacks and silos, was extremely difficult to extinguish, production throughout the mill was halted. The pulp lines and the three paper machines were not directly affected by the fire but an interruption to the supply of fresh water, steam and chips made it necessary to stop production. The office premises and stocks were not damaged by the fire. No personal injuries were reported apart from one person who suffered from mild smoke inhalation.

An assessment is being made of the extent of the damage, which will be covered by the Group's insurance.

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