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**NORAMPAC AND TRI ANNOUNCE FULL OPERATION OF WORLD'S FIRST  
COMMERCIAL BLACK LIQUOR GASIFICATION PROJECT**

**Trenton, Ontario, Canada/ Baltimore Maryland:** Norampac Inc., and ThermoChem Recovery International (TRI) are pleased to announce the black liquor gasification project at Norampac's Trenton, Ontario mill has achieved a major milestone in transitioning from commissioning to full commercial operation. The mill also recently completed air emissions testing at the facility, as mandated by the Ontario Ministry of Environment. The Norampac facility is the world's first commercial low temperature black liquor gasification system, and has achieved over 18,000 hours of operation.

JJ Davis, General Manager of the Trenton mill said, "This is an important milestone for the technology and for the Trenton mill. We continue to be committed to spent liquor gasification at Trenton and are working with TRI to gain even more steam production and energy savings"

Dan Burciaga, President of TRI stated, "One of the key reasons this important milestone has been achieved is that Norampac and TRI have worked as a seamless team from the very beginning. As we move into 2007 we will continue to work with the team at Norampac to meet our joint long term goals."

The project at Trenton utilizes TRI's low temperature biomass gasification technology to recover chemicals and energy from the spent pulping liquor the mill produces in the manufacture of corrugating medium. The project meets the total spent liquor requirements of the mill, and supplies cooking liquor and process steam back to the mill to support the pulp and paper making operation.

Norampac is owned by Cascades Inc. and is Canada's foremost manufacturer of linerboard and corrugated medium and one of North America's leaders in corrugated production.

TRI provides advanced bio-energy and bio-fuels technologies and solutions to the pulp and paper industry.

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