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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): October 11, 2011

# **International Paper Company**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 1-3157

New York (State or other jurisdiction

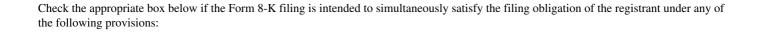
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of incorporation) Identification No.)

6400 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (901) 419-7000



- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- " Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

The information in this Report, including the exhibit, is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and General Instruction B.2 thereunder. Such information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

#### SECTION 7. REGULATION FD.

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 11, 2011, the Board of Directors of International Paper Company (the Company) elected Sharon R. Ryan as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of the Company effective November 1, 2011. A copy of the Company s press release announcing Ms. Ryan s election is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

#### SECTION 9. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is being furnished as part of this Report.

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release of International Paper Company dated October 12, 2011.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

### **International Paper Company**

Date: October 12, 2011 By: /s/ SHARON R. RYAN

Name: Sharon R. Ryan

Title: Vice President, Acting General Counsel and

Corporate Secretary

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