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VIRGINIA'S MEADWESTVACO CUTS 80 GERMAN JOBS



Richmond, Virginia-based packaging manufacturer MeadWestvaco, which **closed plants in Virginia and Puerto Rico** in March, is eliminating 80 jobs in Germany. The cuts come as the firm reconfigures its home and garden operations. Some work will go to MeadWestvaco's plant in Wuxi, China. The plant in Hemer, Germany, will continue to make trigger sprayers. In January, the company announced a plan to cut 2,000 jobs, or 10% of its workforce. MeadWestvaco employs about 22,000 worldwide, and in the first nine months of 2008 earned \$106 million on \$5.04 billion in revenue.

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