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## FUJIFILM TILBURG MUST CUT JOBS

Tilburg, 22 April 2009 – FUJIFILM Manufacturing Europe B.V. in Tilburg is, forced to reduce 124 jobs as a result of the economical crisis. “It is a difficult decision to take, because it involves a great deal of personal sorrow, but it is necessary to keep our company healthy and competitive”, according to the President, Peter Struik. FUJIFILM Tilburg produces among others photo paper and offset plates and also develops new products in the Tilburg Research Laboratory.

Of the total amount of employees who are redundant, a significant part comes from the paper laminating factory. The closing of this factory has been planned since March 2008, but for these employees, new jobs would be created in the new offset plate factory. The construction of this line however has been suspended in February as a result of the economical crisis, whereas the laminating factory will definitely close at the end of June. Given these facts and the slumping sales of offset plates and photo paper, collective dismissal is inevitable.

The employees at FUJIFILM Tilburg have been informed this morning. The management and Works Council are in discussions concerning a social plan. In the Tilburg’s establishment, 900 persons work for FUJIFILM Manufacturing Europe B.V. and 134 persons work for the Dutch part of the European headquarters.

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