# Trends, Trade and Tariffs:

**Policy Impacts on Tissue** 

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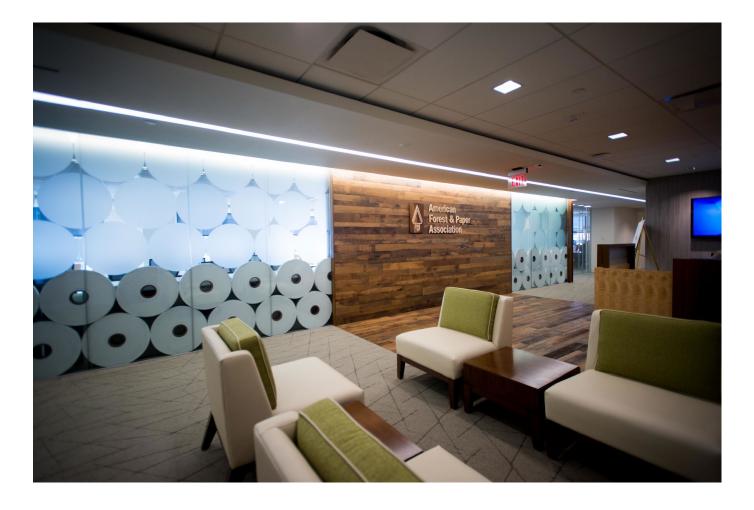












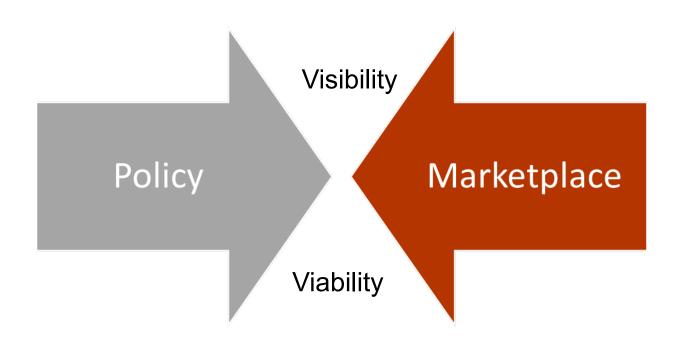








# Government policy and marketplace policy are converging











#### **Public Policy Backdrop**















#### AF&PA Industry-wide 2019 Policy Priorities

- Regulatory and Process Reforms
- A more resilient U.S. Paper Recycling System
- Transportation Infrastructure and Efficiency Improvements
- Free and Fair Trade







#### Regulatory Reform

- Do more good than harm
- Sound Science
- Transparency
- Streamlined process







#### Regulatory Reform

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#### Carbon Neutrality of Forest-Based Biomass

# Biomass used to generate energy should be treated as carbon neutral

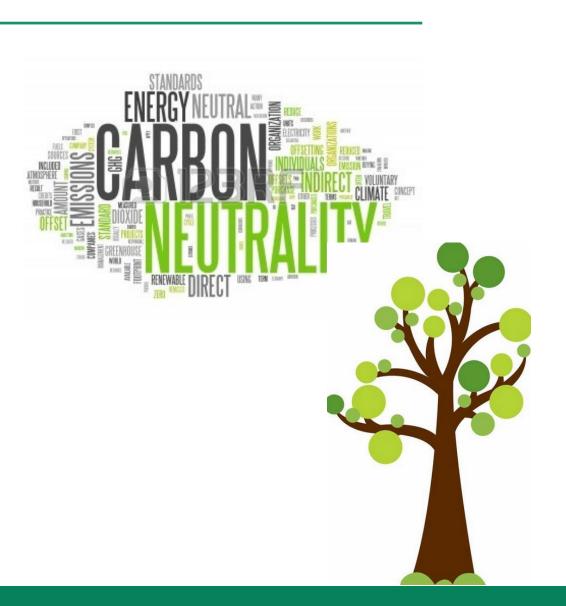
- Renewable biomass represents approx. 2/3 of paper industry energy consumption
- Reducing the industry's and our nation's reliance on fossil fuels
- Biogenic GHG emissions must be treated differently than fossil-derived GHG











### Recycling

- U.S. 2018 recovery rate: 68.1 percent
- China National Sword- Market disruption
- U.S. EPA- "America Recycles Day"
- Market-based advocacy







#### Transportation

- Truck weights
- Rail
  - Reverse SurfaceTransportation Boardforest products exemption









#### Trade

- Free and Fair Trade
- USMCA
- Tariffs











#### Trade











#### Tissue Sector Policy Issues

- Recycled fiber
- Chemical regulation
- Flushability
- False claims
- Sustainability











#### Recycled Fiber

- Critical input for tissue manufacturers
  - 2018 Tissue sector consumption of recovered paper: 4.4 million tons

- MIT research
  - Dynamic Fiber Flows Model











#### Chemical Regulations

#### Per- and Polyfluorinated Substances (PFAS)

- Short-Chain PFAS Approved by FDA Provide Important Protective Properties for Food Packaging
- Legislation Must:
  - Distinguish Between Short- and Long-Chain PFAS
  - Exempt FDA-approved PFAS
  - Exempt PFAS Not Intentionally-Added (Recovered Fiber)





#### Flushability/Compostability

Product standards

State/local governments



















#### **False Claims**

- Anti-paper marketing claims by competitors
- ENGO tissue campaign
- Paper Towel promotion program









## Sustainability







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