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SUBJECT: KTR Monthly Price Sheet

Paper commodities continue to soar upward, and October prices do not disappoint. White Ledger remains the strongest performer, rising again to \$220 per ton at the direct-mill level. Other grades followed this multi-month momentum: OCC increased to \$110 per ton, SOP reached \$150 per ton, Newspaper (Deink) moved up to \$40 per ton, and Mixed Paper matches newspaper at \$40 per ton. This marks another month of consistent growth across the paper sector for direct mill prices.

Metals and plastics showed mixed movement. UBCs (aluminum cans) sits steady \$1,500 per ton baled and \$1,460 per ton lose. Steel cans remained the same with baled pricing at \$84 per ton and loose at \$61.60 per ton.

If you need assistance reviewing your materials or scheduling a pickup, please contact Katrena Volden at (806) 372-3381.

<u>COMMODITIES</u>	<u>Aug-26</u>	<u>Sep-26</u>	<u>Oct-26</u>	<u>% of Change</u>	<u>Oct-25</u>	<u>1 year Change</u>
Steel Cans	Call for price	Call for price	Call for Prices	Call for price	Call for price	Call for price
UBC (Aluminum)	Call for price	Call for price	Call for Prices	Call for price	Call for price	Call for price
PET	Call for price	Call for price	Call for Prices	Call for price	Call for price	Call for price
HDPE (Plastic #2) Natural	Call for price	Call for price	Call for Prices	Call for price	\$ 720.00	Call for price
HDPE (Plastic #2) Mixed	Call for price	Call for price	Call for Prices	Call for price	\$ 20.00	Call for price
Mixed Plastics (#1 & #2)	Call for price	Call for price	Call for Prices	Call for price	Call for price	Call for price
OCC (Cardboard)	\$ 95.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 110.00	18.75%	\$ 55.00	90.91%
Deink (#8 Newspaper)	\$ 30.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 40.00	50.00%	\$ 10.00	250.00%
SOP (Office Paper)	\$ 140.00	\$ 145.00	\$ 150.00	7.69%	\$ 110.00	31.82%
White Ledger Paper	\$ 210.00	\$ 215.00	\$ 220.00	5.00%	\$ 180.00	19.44%
Mixed Paper	\$ 30.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 40.00	50.00%	\$ 20.00	75.00%

Emboldened Commodities indicates those materials for which guaranteed floor prices have been set.

Emboldened Amounts indicates that the floor prices have been reached.

Direct Mill Runs are available for full loads of a single baled commodity and can be shipped at no cost to the member.