

INTERTAPE POLYMER GROUP INC
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FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the month of July, 2014
Commission File Number 1-10928

INTERTAPE POLYMER GROUP INC.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

INTERTAPE POLYMER GROUP INC.

Date: July 7, 2014

By: /s/ Jeffrey Crystal
Jeffrey Crystal, Chief Financial Officer

Intertape Polymer Group Announces Increase in Dividend and Normal Course Issuer Bid

MONTREAL, QUEBEC and SARASOTA, FLORIDA July 7, 2014 - Intertape Polymer Group Inc. (TSX:ITP) (Intertape or the Company) is pleased to announce that its Board of Directors has amended the Company's dividend policy by increasing the annualized dividend by 50% from US\$0.32 to US\$0.48 per share. The increase will be effective with Intertape's next regular quarterly dividend, expected to be paid on or about September 30, 2014, which, if declared, will be in an amount of US\$0.12 per share. The Board of Directors' decision to increase the dividend was based on Intertape's strong financial position and positive outlook.

Intertape also announces that it will make a normal course issuer bid. Under the normal course issuer bid, Intertape will be entitled to repurchase for cancellation up to 2,000,000 common shares, representing 3.28% of Intertape's issued and outstanding shares, over a twelve-month period starting on July 10, 2014 and ending on July 9, 2015. The purchases by Intertape will be effected through the facilities of the Toronto Stock Exchange and will be made at the market price of the shares at the time of the purchase. There are 61,012,076 Intertape common shares currently issued and outstanding.

During the most recently completed six months, the average daily trading volume for the common shares of Intertape on the Toronto Stock Exchange was 203,153 shares. Consequently, under the policies of the Toronto Stock Exchange, Intertape will have the right to repurchase during any one trading day a maximum of 50,788 common shares, representing 25% of the average daily trading volume. In addition, Intertape may make, once per calendar week, a block purchase (as such term is defined in the TSX Company Manual) of common shares not directly or indirectly owned by insiders of Intertape, in accordance with the policies of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Intertape intends to acquire the common shares because it believes that the repurchase of common shares at certain market prices is beneficial to Intertape and its shareholders.

Any purchases made pursuant to the normal course issuer bid will be made in accordance with the requirements of the Toronto Stock Exchange. Intertape will make no purchases of common shares other than open market purchases during the period of the normal course issuer bid.

Intertape's normal course issuer bid has been approved by the Toronto Stock Exchange.

About Intertape Polymer Group Inc.

Intertape Polymer Group Inc. is a recognized leader in the development, manufacture and sale of a variety of paper and film based pressure sensitive and water activated tapes, polyethylene and specialized polyolefin films, woven coated fabrics and complementary packaging systems for industrial and retail use. Headquartered in Montreal, Quebec and Sarasota, Florida, the Company employs approximately 1,800 employees with operations in 16 locations, including 10 manufacturing facilities in North America and one in Europe.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation and forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (collectively, forward-looking statements), and are made in reliance upon the protections provided by such legislation for forward-looking statements. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this press release, including statements regarding the Company's dividend payments (including the amount and timing), the Company's positive outlook, the Company's intention to make a normal course issuer bid (including the details regarding such bid) and the lack of intention of the Company's directors and officers to sell the Company's shares while the normal course issuer bid is in effect, may constitute forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on current beliefs, assumptions, expectations, estimates, forecasts and projections made by the Company's management. Words such as may, will, expect, continue, intend, estimate, anticipate, plan, foresee, believe or seek or the n or variations of them or similar terminology are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, these statements, by their nature, involve risks and uncertainties and are not guarantees of future performance. Such statements are also subject to assumptions concerning, among other things: business conditions and growth or declines in the Company's industry, the Company's customers' industries and the general economy; the quality, and market reception, of the Company's products; the Company's anticipated business strategies; risks and costs inherent in litigation; the Company's ability to maintain and improve quality and customer service; anticipated savings from the Company's manufacturing plant rationalization initiatives; anticipated cash flows from the Company's operations; availability of funds under the Company's Asset-Based Loan facility; and the Company's ability to continue to control costs. The Company can give no assurance that these estimates and expectations will prove to have been correct. Actual outcomes and results may, and often do, differ from what is expressed, implied or projected in such forward-looking statements, and such differences may be material. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statement. For additional information regarding some important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in these forward-looking statements and other risks and uncertainties, and the assumptions underlying the forward-looking statements, you are encouraged to read Item 3. Key Information - Risk Factors, Item 5 Operating and Financial Review and Prospects (Management's Discussion & Analysis) and statements located elsewhere in the Company's annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2013 and the other factors contained in the Company's filings with the Canadian securities regulators and the US Securities and Exchange Commission. Each of these forward-looking statements speaks only as of the date of this press release. The Company will not update these statements unless applicable securities laws require it to do so.

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