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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Verso Paper Management LP

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

Verso Paper Corp. [VRS] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

9 WEST 57TH STREET.

(Month/Day/Year) 06/25/2012

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person

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X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City)

Stock

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)

(Zip)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

\$0

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

D

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

36,147,694

See

Common 06/25/2012 Stock Common

09/20/2012

J(1)7,624 D

506

 $J_{\underline{1}}$

(1) 36,147,188 (1)

footnote (2) See footnote (2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title	of 2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Marcis	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Verso Paper Management LP 9 WEST 57TH STREET NEW YORK, NY 10022		X					
Verso Paper Investments LP 9 WEST 57TH STREET 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019		X					
Verso Paper Investments Management LLC 9 WEST 57TH STREET 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019		X					
CMP Apollo LLC 9 WEST 57TH STREET 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019		X					
Apollo Management VI, L.P. 9 WEST 57TH STREET 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019		X					
AIF VI Management, LLC 9 WEST 57TH STREET 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019		X					
Apollo Management, L.P. 2 MANHATTANVILLE ROAD SUITE 203 PURCHASE, NY 10577		X					

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Apollo Management GP, LLC

TWO MANHATTANVILLE ROAD SUITE 203

X

PURCHASE, NY 10577

Apollo Management Holdings, L.P.

9 W. 57TH STREET

X

NEW YORK, NY 10019

Apollo Management Holdings GP, LLC 9 W. 57TH STREET 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019

X

Signatures

[see signatures attached as Exhibit 99.2]

09/21/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) See Exhibit 99.1.
- (2) See Exhibit 99.1.

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