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AS FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION ON MAY 31, 2002  
REGISTRATION NO. 333-61232

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1

TO

FORM S-8  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE  
SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

BOWATER INCORPORATED

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

DELAWARE

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(State of Incorporation)

62-0721803

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(IRS Employer Identification Number)

55 E. CAMPERDOWN WAY  
P.O. BOX 1028  
GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA 29602

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

BOWATER INCORPORATED/COATED PAPERS AND PULP  
DIVISION HOURLY EMPLOYEES' SAVINGS PLAN

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(Full Title of the Plan)

ANTHONY H. BARASH, ESQUIRE  
SR. VICE PRESIDENT-CORPORATE AFFAIRS, GENERAL COUNSEL AND SECRETARY  
BOWATER INCORPORATED  
55 E. CAMPERDOWN WAY, P.O. BOX 1028,  
GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA 29602  
(864) 271-7733

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent for Service)

This Post-Effective Amendment to Registration Statement No. 333-61232 shall become effective automatically upon the date of filing in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act and Rules 456 and 464 promulgated thereunder.

TERMINATION OF OFFERING

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Bowater Incorporated (the "Registrant") has registered 600,000 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock, \$1.00 par value ("Common Stock") on Form S-8 (Registration No. 333-02989) relating to the Bowater Incorporated/Coated Papers and Pulp Division Hourly Employees' Savings Plan (the "Plan"). Pursuant to Form S-8 (General Instruction E) (Registration Nos. 333-41475, 333-84171 and 333-61232), the Registrant increased the number of shares available for issuance under the Plan by registering an additional 4,900,000 total shares. Therefore, the Registrant has registered an aggregate number of 5,500,000 shares for issuance under the Plan.

Effective as of December 31, 2001, the Registrant merged the Plan into and with the Bowater Incorporated Savings Plan (formerly named the Bowater Incorporated Salaried Employees' Savings Plan) (the "BI Savings Plan") pursuant to its amendment authority under the Plan, and participants in the Plan became participants in the BI Savings Plan.

In connection with this merger, the Registrant hereby removes from registration by means of this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 any of the securities previously registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering. Simultaneously with the filing of this Amendment, the Registrant has carried over to the BI Savings Plan 1,577,533 shares of Common Stock and Participation Interests remaining as of the termination of the offering under the Plan by filing a Form S-8 (General Instruction E) for the BI Savings Plan.

ITEM 8. EXHIBITS

The Registrant and the Plan hereby files the following exhibit as part of this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement No. 333-61232.

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| No: | Exhibit:  |
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| 4.1 | Bowater Incorporated/Coated Papers and Pulp Division Hourly Employees' Savings Plan, As Amended and Restated Effective as of January 1, 1997. |

SIGNATURES

The Registrant. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Amendment to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Greenville, state of South Carolina, on May 30, 2002.

BOWATER INCORPORATED  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Arnold M. Nemirow  
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Arnold M. Nemirow  
Chairman, President and Chief  
Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Amendment has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

| SIGNATURE   | TITLE  |
|---|--|
| /s/ Arnold M. Nemirow<br>-----<br>Arnold M. Nemirow | Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) |
| /s/ David G. Maffucci<br>-----<br>David G. Maffucci | Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer)            |
| /s/ Michael F. Nocito<br>-----<br>Michael F. Nocito | Vice President and Controller (principal accounting officer)                               |
| *<br>-----<br>Francis J. Aguilar                    | Director   |
| *<br>-----<br>Richard Barth                         | Director   |
| *<br>-----<br>Cinda A. Hallman                      | Director   |

| SIGNATURE                       | TITLE    |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| *<br>-----<br>Charles J. Howard | Director |
| *<br>-----<br>James L. Pate     | Director |
| *<br>-----<br>John A. Rolls     | Director |
| *<br>-----                      | Director |

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Arthur R. Sawchuk

\*Anthony H. Barash, by signing his name hereto, does sign this document on behalf of the persons indicated above pursuant to powers of attorney duly executed by such persons, which were filed by the Registrant and the Plan on Form S-8 (General Instruction E) (Registration No. 333-61232), and are hereby incorporated by reference.

By: /s/ Anthony H. Barash

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Anthony H. Barash,  
Attorney-in-Fact

The Plan. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the trustees (or other persons who administer the Plan) have duly caused this Amendment to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Greenville, state of South Carolina, on May 30, 2002.

BOWATER INCORPORATED/COATED PAPERS AND  
PULP DIVISION HOURLY EMPLOYEES' SAVINGS  
PLAN  
(Plan)

By: /s/ Aaron Whitlock

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Aaron Whitlock,  
Plan Administrator