THE CLAIMS DEFINING THE INVENTION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. A paperboard carrier suitable for use in winding a material thereon, the carrier comprising:

one or more strips of paperboard secured together to form a cylindrical elongate structure, the cylindrical elongate structure defining an outer surface; and

an ink identifier printed onto the outer surface in a predetermined region, the ink identifier having a barrier property that minimizes the transfer of chemicals between the ink identifier and the material.

2. The paperboard carrier of claim 1, wherein the ink identifier comprises ink and a room temperature cured, water free barrier compound.

3. The paperboard carrier of claim 2, wherein:

the ink is an aqueous based ink.

4. The paperboard carrier of claim 2, wherein:

the ink is a solvent based ink.