



Sonoco Invites You to Join Its 2002 Third Quarter Financial

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Results Conference Call

HARTSVILLE, S.C., Oct. 3 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Sonoco (NYSE: SON) invites you to listen to a live Web cast (listen-only mode) of its conference call announcing 2002 third quarter financial results. The event, to be held Wednesday, October 16, 2002, at 2 p.m. (all times are listed as Eastern time), will be hosted by Allan Cecil, vice president-Investor Relations and Corporate Affairs. Joining Cecil will be Harris DeLoach, Jr., president and CEO, as well as Charlie Hupfer, vice president and chief financial officer.

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If you are unable to participate during the live Web cast, a replay will be available by phone at 1-888/482-0024, ID/Sonoco, from 5:00 p.m., October 16, until midnight, October 19. The call will be archived at the Web sites listed above for 90 days.

If you experience problems connecting to the live Web cast or for more information, contact Sonoco Corporate Communications at +843/383-7681.

Sonoco, founded in 1899, is a \$2.6 billion manufacturer of industrial and consumer products and provider of packaging services, with approximately 300 operations in 32 countries serving customers in some 85 nations. For more information on the Company, visit our Web site at www.sonoco.com.

Minimum requirements to listen to Web cast: The Windows Media Player software, downloadable free from <http://www.microsoft.com/windows/windowsmedia/FN/default.asp>, and at least a 28.8Kbps connection to the Internet. If you experience problems listening to the Web cast, send an email to webcastsupport@tfprn.com.

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