# Sonoco Board Declares Regular Dividend

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HARTSVILLE, S.C., Oct. 14 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Sonoco's (NYSE: SON) board of directors today declared a regular dividend of $.21 per share. This 314th consecutive quarterly dividend will be payable December 10, 2003, to shareholders of record as of November 21, 2003.

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Sonoco, founded in 1899, is a global manufacturer of industrial and consumer packaging products and provider of packaging services, with approximately 300 locations in 32 countries, serving customers in 85 nations. For more information about the Company, visit the Sonoco Web site at www.sonoco.com.

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