Harris DeLoach, Chairman, President and CEO of Sonoco Products Talks to The Wall Street Transcript

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NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 22, 2005--The Wall Street Transcript has published an in-depth interview with Harris DeLoach, Chairman, President and CEO of Sonoco Products Company (NYSE:SON), in which he talks at length about the Company.

The entire 2,500 word interview is available free online at http://www.twst.com/ceos.htm.

Sonoco is a global manufacturer of industrial and consumer products and provider of packaging services. Sonoco has more than 300 operations in 35 countries serving customers in some 85 nations.

In describing the Company Mr. DeLoach states, "In all of our business segments we are a technology leader and a low-cost producer. I think the combination of being a technology leader, a value driver and a low-cost producer gives you a leg up in meeting customers' demands."

Regarding the company's strategic advantages Mr. DeLoach states, "We can provide solutions for the entire range of packaging supply chain needs for any consumer product company. We're the only packaging company in the world today that employs this total solutions strategy over such a broad spectrum of a consumer product company's packaging requirements."

With regard to the Company's growth Mr. DeLoach states, "We've been very effective in the last few years in managing our costs and passing through our cost increases. We have very strong cash flow, expected to average over $300 million annually over the next several years. Clearly we've seen a nice improvement in EBIT margins."

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