Sonoco to Host Annual New York Investor Conference on December 5, 2008

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HARTSVILLE, S.C., Nov 24, 2008 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Sonoco (NYSE: SON), one of the largest global diversified packaging companies, will host its annual breakfast meeting for the financial community in New York City on Friday, December 5, 2008, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel, Park Avenue at Grand Central. Breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m. in the Manhattan Ballroom and the presentation will start at 7:50 a.m. Harris E. DeLoach, Jr., chairman, president and chief executive officer, and Charles J. Hupfer, senior vice president and chief financial officer, will provide a strategic overview of the Company along with a financial update and outlook. Members of Sonoco's executive committee will be attending and available for discussion.

Those interested in attending the breakfast meeting should RSVP with their name, company and if they will be attending in person by emailing corporate.communications@sonoco.com or by phoning 843/383-7794. Those who cannot attend in person can join the meeting via telephone conference call or by Webcast. Interested investors can access the toll-free conference call at 877/407-0782 or internationally at +201/689-8567. The Webcast and presentations will be made available via the Internet at www.sonoco.com, under Latest News.

A replay of the event will begin at 10 a.m. Eastern time on December 5, 2008, and continue through midnight Eastern time on December 19, 2008. The toll-free replay number in the U.S. is 877/660-6853 and the international replay number is +201/612-7415. The replay access code is account 286, ID 298133. The event also will be archived for 90 days on Sonoco's Investor Relations Web site under conference calls.

About Sonoco

Founded in 1899, Sonoco is a $4.0 billion global manufacturer of industrial and consumer products and provider of packaging services, with more than 300 operations in 35 countries, serving customers in some 85 nations. For more information on the Company, visit our Web site at http://www.sonoco.com/.

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