



Webcast Alert: Sonoco Annual Shareholders' Meeting

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HARTSVILLE, S.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Apr. 13, 2009-- Sonoco (NYSE: SON) announces the following Webcast:

What: 2009 Annual Shareholders' Meeting

When: April 15, 2009 at 11 a.m. (Eastern)

Where: <http://www.investorcalendar.com/IC/CEPage.asp?ID=142747>

How: Live over the Internet – Simply log on to the web at the address above.

If you are unable to participate during the live webcast, the call will be available for replay at <http://www.investorcalendar.com/IC/CEPage.asp?ID=142747> or the Company's Website, www.sonoco.com, under the Latest News section.

About Sonoco

Founded in 1899, Sonoco is a \$4.1 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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