

## Sonoco Honored With Garden Club of America Award

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### *Company Recognized with Zone Civic Improvement Commendation*

Hartsville, S.C., U.S. – On behalf of the Company, Sonoco President and CEO Jack Sanders yesterday received a Civic Improvement Commendation from the Garden Club of America for "outstanding efforts which enhance, protect or restore the local environment and improve the community."

In presenting the award, Lindsay Marshall, Garden Club of American Zone VIII chair of national affairs, said, "I am thrilled to present this award to a company that is not only regional, but is a national and international company dedicated to conservation, sustainable business practices and education. While being a successful company, they have shown their community and the business world how to be sustainable, environmentally responsible and economically successful at the same time. Thank you, Sonoco Products Company, for being a world leader in conservation."

The Civic Improvement Award to Sonoco states: "With recognition to Sonoco of Hartsville, S.C., for their dedicated leadership in conservation, sustainable practices, innovative recycling and passionate support of community education."

The Zone Civic Improvement Commendation was bestowed by the Palmetto Garden Club of South Carolina, a part of the Garden Club of America's Zone VIII, representing Alabama, Georgia, Florida and South Carolina.

### **About Sonoco:**

Founded in 1899, Sonoco is a global provider of a variety of consumer packaging, industrial products, protective packaging, and displays and packaging supply chain services. With annualized net sales of approximately \$5 billion, the Company has 20,800 employees working in more than 330 operations in 34 countries, serving some of the world's best known brands in some 85 nations. Sonoco is a proud member of the 2014/2015 Dow Jones Sustainability World Index.

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