

Sonoco Board Declares Regular Dividend

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HARTSVILLE, S.C., Oct. 11 /PRNewswire/ -- The board of directors of Sonoco (NYSE: SON) today (October 11, 1999) declared a regular dividend of \$.19 per share. The 298th consecutive quarterly dividend will be payable December 10, 1999, to shareholders of record November 19, 1999.

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Sonoco, celebrating its Centennial in 1999, is a global manufacturer of industrial and consumer packaging products and services with 1998 sales of \$2.6 billion. The company has approximately 275 operations in 32 countries on five continents serving customers in 85 countries. SOURCE Sonoco

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