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Sonic Automotive, Inc. Schedules Release of Third Quarter Results and Conference Call

CHARLOTTE, N.C., Oct. 7 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Sonic Automotive, Inc. (NYSE: SAH) today announced it will release fiscal 2009 third quarter financial results on Tuesday, October 27, 2009 at 7:30 A.M. (Eastern). Senior management will hold a conference call on October 27, 2009 at 11:00 A.M. (Eastern)

To access the live broadcast of the conference call over the Internet go to:

www.sonicautomotive.com

A live audio of the conference call will be accessible to the public by calling (877) 791-3416. International callers dial (706) 643-0958. Callers should dial in approximately 10 minutes before the call begins.

A conference call replay will be available one hour following the call for seven days and can be accessed by calling:

(800) 642-1687 (domestic) or (706) 645-9291 (international), conference call ID # 34082140

About Sonic Automotive

Sonic Automotive, Inc., a Fortune 300 company based in Charlotte, N.C., is the nation's third-largest automotive retailer, operating 153 franchises. Sonic can be reached on the web at *www.sonicautomotive.com*.

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