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## **Sonic Automotive, Inc. Schedules Release of 2009 Fourth Quarter and Full Year Results**

CHARLOTTE, N.C., Feb. 2 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Sonic Automotive, Inc. (NYSE: SAH) today announced it will release fiscal 2009 fourth quarter and year end financial results on Tuesday, February 23, 2010 at 7:30 A.M. (Eastern). Senior management will hold a conference call on February 23, 2010 at 11:00 A.M. (Eastern)

To access the live broadcast of the call over the Internet go to [www.sonicautomotive.com](http://www.sonicautomotive.com)

A live audio of the 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, Conference ID: 54761428, International callers dial (706) 645-9291.

Presentation materials for the Company's February 23, 2010 earnings conference call will be accessible beginning the morning of the conference call on the Company's website at [www.sonicautomotive.com](http://www.sonicautomotive.com) by clicking on the "For Investors" tab and choosing "Webcasts & Presentations" on the left side of the screen.

### About Sonic Automotive

Sonic Automotive, Inc., a Fortune 300 company based in Charlotte, N.C., is the nation's third-largest automotive retailer, operating 148 franchises. Sonic can be reached on the web at [www.sonicautomotive.com](http://www.sonicautomotive.com).

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