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SONIC ANNOUNCES THE DEPARTURE OF THE HEAD OF ITS RESTAURANT-OPERATING SUBSIDIARY

OKLAHOMA CITY (June 9, 2003) – Sonic Corp. (NASDAQ/NM: SONC) today announced that Frank B. Young, Jr., Senior Vice President of Operations for its wholly owned subsidiary, Sonic Restaurants, Inc. (SRI), which owns and operates the 500 company-owned drive-in restaurants, will be leaving the company effective June 15, 2003, to pursue other interests following a career of more than nine years with Sonic. The company has no immediate plans to replace Young; three vice presidents currently responsible for overseeing SRI's three regional divisions, with a combined 17 years experience with Sonic and over 70 years in the food service industry, will assume his responsibilities and will report directly to Sonic's president, Pattye L. Moore.

Sonic Corp. franchises and operates the largest chain of drive-in restaurants in the United States. For more information about the company, visit Sonic's website at sonicdrivein.com.