

Rayovac Announces Annual Meeting of Shareholders

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MADISON, Wis., May 16 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Rayovac Corp. (NYSE: ROV) announces that its Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held on July 23, 2003, at the Company's headquarters at 601 Rayovac Drive in Madison, Wisconsin. The meeting will start at 8 a.m. CT.

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Shareholders of record as of June 2, 2003, will be entitled to vote at the meeting. Proxy materials will be mailed to shareholders in mid-June, 2003.

Rayovac is one of the world's largest consumer battery and lighting device companies. Rayovac products are sold in more than 115 countries. The Company also markets the number one selling rechargeable brand of battery in the U.S. and in Europe, and is the world leader in hearing aid batteries. Rayovac trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the ROV symbol.

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