FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [ SON ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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(Last)	(First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2003								Officer (give title below)			Other (specify below)		
						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 04/02/2003								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)					104/	04/02/2003								X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(City)	(Si	tate)	(Zip)											_	filed by More than One Rep		J	- 1	
		Tab	le I - Nor	า-Deriv	/ativ	e Se	curitie	s A	quired, D	isp	osed o	f, or Ber	neficial	ly Owned	d				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Da			Code (In:					4 and Securities Beneficially Owned Follo		Form (D) o	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
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		-							uired, Dis s, options					Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y	Date,	Code (I				6. Date Exerc Expiration Day (Month/Day/)	ate	Amount of		Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	i i illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Phantom Stock Units	0	04/01/2003			A <sup>(1)</sup>		650.6		08/08/1988(1)	0:	8/08/1988	Common Stock	650.6	\$20.75	\$14,070	).42	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The phantom stock units were accrued under the Sonoco Products Company directors' deferred compensation plan and are to be settled in cash upon the reporting person's retirement.

By: George S. Hartley - Power of Attorney For: Dona Davis Young

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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