UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 15

Certification and Notice of Termination of Registration under Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Suspension of Duty to File Reports Under Sections 13 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Commission File No. 1-11261

COMMISSION FILE NO. 1-11201
SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)
One North Second Street, Hartsville, South Carolina 29551-0160 (803) 383-7000
(Address, including zip code and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)
\$2.25 Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, no par value
(Title of each class of securities covered by this Form)
Common Stock, no par value
(Titles of all other classes of securities for which a duty to file reports under section 13(a) or 15(d) remains)
Please place an X in the box(es) to designate the appropriate rule provision(s) relied upon to terminate or suspend the duty to file reports:
Rule 12g-4(a)(1)(i) // Rule 12h-3(b)(1)(ii) //
Rule 12g-4(a)(1)(ii) / / Rule 12h-3(b)(2)(i) / / Rule 12g-4(a)(2)(i) / / Rule 12h-3(b)(2)(ii) / /
Rule 12g-4(a)(2)(ii) // Rule 12h-3(b)(2)(ii) // Rule 12d-6 /X/
Rule 12h-3(b)(1)(i) / /
Approximate number of holders of record as of the certification or notice date: $ 0 \\$

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Sonoco Products Company has caused this certification/notice to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

Dated: September 29, 1997 By: /s/ F. T. Hill, Jr. _____ -----

> Name: F. T. Hill, Jr. Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer