FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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		on*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SONOCO PRODUCTS CO</u> [SON]		tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/30/2003		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Form filed by More than (Person	One Reporting	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	05/30/2003		S		4,150	D	22.35	41,504	Ι	by Trust
Common Stock	05/30/2003		S		750	D	22.45	40,754	Ι	by Trust

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

By: George S. Hartley For: Fitz 06/02/2003

Lee Howard Coker

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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