FORM 4

obligations may continue. See

Instruction 1(b).

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SULLIVAN CHARLES L JR					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [SON]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last)		irst)) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/30/2003								cid.	Other (s below)	pecify
(Street)				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT-GLOBAL 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(City) (State) (Zip)													X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Ta	ble I - Non-De	rivati	ve Se	ecurities	s Ac	quired, D	ispo	osed o	f, or Be	neficial	y Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D				•		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr.		ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		Beneficia Owned F	s Illy ollowing	Form:	Direct Indirect I	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	, ,	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			Instr. 4)
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																
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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		le and	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)	illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		oiration e	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)			
Phantom Stock Units	0	05/30/2003		A ⁽¹⁾		57.8549		08/08/1988	08/0	08/1988	Common Stock	57.8549	\$22.47	\$1,281.3	712	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The reported phantom stock units were acquired under Sonoco Products Company's excess benefit plan and will be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

By: George S. Hartley - Power of Attorney For: Charles L.

06/02/2003

Sullivan, Jr.

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

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