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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Saunders Barry L</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>ONE NORTH SECOND ST</u> <u>P O BOX 160</u> (Street) <u>HARTSVILLE SC 29551-0160</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [SON]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/08/2017</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Sr VP, CFO</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			

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)		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)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
<u>Restricted Stock Units</u>	<u>\$0.0000⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>02/08/2017</u>		<u>A</u>		<u>4,914</u>		<u>02/08/2018⁽²⁾</u>	<u>02/08/2027</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>4,914</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>4,914</u>	<u>D</u>	
<u>Restricted Stock Units II</u>	<u>\$0.0000⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>02/08/2017</u>		<u>A</u>		<u>456</u>		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>456</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>1,554</u>	<u>D</u>	
<u>Restricted Stock Units II</u>	<u>\$0.0000⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>02/08/2017</u>		<u>F</u>			<u>15</u>	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>\$54.46</u>	<u>1,539</u>	<u>D</u>	
<u>Stock Appreciation Right</u>	<u>\$54.46</u>	<u>02/08/2017</u>		<u>A</u>		<u>34,740</u>		<u>02/08/2018⁽⁵⁾</u>	<u>02/08/2027</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>34,740</u>	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>34,740</u>	<u>D</u>	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Sonoco Products Company common stock.
2. The restricted stock units vest beginning one year from date of grant in three annual installments of 33%, 33% and 34%.
3. The restricted stock units vested immediately. Vested shares will be paid to the reporting person six months following retirement or termination of service.
4. Each share of Restricted Stock Unit is the equivalent of one share of Sonoco Products Company common stock. The shares were cashed out to account for withholding taxes.
5. SAR units vest beginning one year from date of grant in three annual installments of 33%, 33% and 34%.

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Saunders

** 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).

** 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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