

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

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

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**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 17, 2013**

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**SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY**

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**Commission File No. 0-516**

**Incorporated under the laws  
of South Carolina**

**I.R.S. Employer Identification  
No. 57-0248420**

**1 N. Second St.  
Hartsville, South Carolina 29550  
Telephone: 843/383-7000**

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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Section 5 – Corporate Governance and Management****Item 5.02      Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

Harry A. Cockrell, 63, managing director of Pacific Tiger Group Limited, a Hong Kong-based privately held investment enterprise with a wide range of businesses and assets across the Asia/Pacific region, was elected to the Sonoco Board of Directors on July 17, 2013.

Mr. Cockrell holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Asian studies from Seton Hall University and an M.B.A. from the Thunderbird School of Global Management where he serves as a trustee. He is a director of Pathfinder Investment Holdings Corporation, a Philippines real estate management group, and a Director of Sonoco Asia, LLC, a 79.2 percent-owned subsidiary of Sonoco Products Company. He is a former director of Hanesbrands, Inc., and former investment committee member of Asian Infrastructure Fund. Earlier in his career, he was director of corporate banking for the National Commercial Bank of Saudi Arabia and was a banking advisor for Middle Eastern and Asian interests.

Mr. Cockrell has been appointed to serve on the Financial Policy and Employee and Public Responsibility Committees of the Board.

The Company has not entered into any material contracts, plans or arrangements with Mr. Cockrell. There are no family relationships between Mr. Cockrell and any other executive officer or director of the Company, and there are no arrangements or understandings pursuant to which he has been appointed. There are no transactions between the Company and Mr. Cockrell that would constitute related person transactions under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K, nor does Mr. Cockrell hold a directorship with any reporting company.

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 23, 2013

**SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY**

By: /s/ Barry L. Saunders

Barry L. Saunders

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer