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

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**FORM 8-K**

**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): February 5, 2008**

**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  
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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.**

Lloyd W. Newton, retired executive vice president of Pratt & Whitney Military Engines, and retired four-star General with the United States Air Force, was elected to the Sonoco Board of Directors on February 5, 2008.

General Newton has been appointed to serve on the Audit Committee and the Employee and Public Responsibility Committee of the Board. These appointments will become effective on March 1, 2008.

**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.

**SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY**

Date: February 7, 2008

By: /s/ C.J. Hupfer  
C.J. Hupfer  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer