FORM 4

## 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*  WHIDDON THOMAS E					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [ SON ]						(Ch	eck all applic  X Directo	r	10% Ov	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE NORTH SECOND ST					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/02/2012						Officer below)	(give title	Other (s below)	specify	
P O BOX 160					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(Street) HARTSVILLE SC 29551-0160				04/04/2012						- 1	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)												
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
Date				Transaction ate Month/Day/	Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) 5)			5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s Formulay (D) (I) (I)	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code V	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/Ye	Code	saction (Instr.			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)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	· v	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	04/02/2012		A		709.2 <sup>(2)</sup>		(1)	(1)	Common Stock	709.2	\$33.49	15,397	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The phantom stock units were accrued under the Sonoco Products Company directors deferred compensation plan and are to be settled in cash or Sonoco Products Company common stock upon the reporting person's retirement.
- 2. Amount correction

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Power of Attorney for Thomas 04/25/2012

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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