FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  HOLLEY RONALD E					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [ SON ]						(Che	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE NORTH SECOND STREET					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/10/2004							X below) below)  SR VP- GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL PROD					
(Street) HARTSV (City)			29550 (Zip)	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Dat			3. Transactio Code (Inst	n Dispose	ities Acquire d Of (D) (Ins	ed (A) or tr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficial Owned Fo	ly	6. Own Form: (D) or I (I) (Insi	Direct Indirect Etr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(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. Transa Code ( 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/N	ate	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transaction	e s lly	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		(Instr. 4)	on(s)			
Dividend Equivalent Rights	(1)	09/10/2004		A		46.0437		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	46.0437	\$26.14	997.11	17	D		
Dividend Equivalents on Restricted Stock Units	(1)	09/10/2004		A		129.7		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	129.7	\$26.14	3,991.	.5	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 2. Acquired on quarterly dividend on the Sonoco Products Company excess benefit plan and are to be settled in cash upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.
- 3. Acquired on quarterly dividend. The rights become exercisable proportionately with the options to which they relate.

By: George S. Hartley - Power 09/13/2004 of Attorney For: Ronald E. **Holley** 

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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