FORM 4

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

| Washington, | D.C. | 20549 |
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| STATEMENT    | OF | CHANGES | IN   | <b>BENEFICIAL</b> | OWNERSHIP    |
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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     WHIDDON THOMAS E  |  |            |                                |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [ SON ] |  |  |   |         |  | (Ch             | Relationship<br>neck all appli<br>X Direct                        | cable)<br>or   | g Pers  | 10% Ov   | vner                                  |          |
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|   | RTH SEC  | · ·        | (Middle)                       |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2020            |  |  |   |         |  |                 |   | below  | r (give title<br>)  |  | Other (s<br>below)                    | pecify   |
| P O BOX   | K 160  |            |                                | 4.1                                      | f Amer   | ndment,  | Date   | of Original Fi                                    | iled (I | Month/Da   | ay/Year)        | 6. I<br>Lin   | ndividual or<br>e)   | Joint/Group   | Filing   | J (Check Ap                           | plicable |
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|   | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |            |                                |  |  |  |  |   |         |  |                 |   |  |   |  |                                       |          |
| Date  |  |            | ransaction<br>e<br>onth/Day/Ye | Execution Date                           |  | r, Transaction Disposed Of (D<br>Code (Instr. 5) |  | ties Acquired (A) or<br>I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and |         | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported                                    |                 | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |                                       |          |
|   |  |            |                                |  |  |  | Code   | <u> </u>  | Amount  | (A) o  | Price           | Transac<br>(Instr. 3  | ction(s)   |   |  | ,                                     |          |
|   | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |            |                                |  |  |  |  |   |         |  |                 |   |  |   |  |                                       |          |
| Derivative   Conversion   Date   Execution Date,   Security   or Exercise   (Month/Day/Year)   if any |  |            | Code                           | ransaction of<br>code (Instr. Derivative |  |  | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |   |         | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                 | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)               | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) |   | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |          |
|   |  |            |                                | Code                                     | v  | (A)  | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable                               |         | piration<br>te   | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                            |  |   |  |                                       |          |
| Phantom<br>Stock<br>Units   | (1)  | 12/10/2020 |                                | A  |  | 302.6  |  | (2)   |         | (2)  | Common<br>Stock | 302.6   | \$61.68  | 43,703.   | 6  | D                                     |          |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Sonoco Products Company common stock.
- 2. Acquired on quarterly dividend on Sonoco Products Company's directors' deferred compensation plan and will be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

By: Elizabeth R. Kremer -

Power of Attorney for Thomas 12/14/2020

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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.

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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