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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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ss of Reporting Per <u>HN H III</u>	son*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SONOCO PRODUCTS CO</u> [SON]		tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner		
st) (First) (Middle) IE NORTH SECOND STREET		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/10/2004		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
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(State)	(Zip)			Person		
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

L. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 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)

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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)		of Deriv	r osed) r. 3, 4	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Expiration Date Amount of		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	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				
Dividend Equivalent Rights	(1)	09/10/2004		A		1.7		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1.7	\$26.14	63.7	D	

Explanation of Responses:

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2. Acquired on quarterly dividend on the Sonoco Products Company directors' deferred compensation plan and are to be settled in cash upon the reporting person's retirement.

By: George S. Hartley - Power	
<u>of Attorney For: John H.</u>	<u>09/13/2004</u>
<u>Mullin, III</u>	

** 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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