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* SULLIVAN CHARLES L JR					2. Issuer Name and 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)	(Fii RTH SECO	rst) OND STREET	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/10/2004						SR	vP-GLOE	•	NSUN	below)	, I
(Street) HARTSV (City)			29550 (Zip)	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  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															
Date				2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)			5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned For Reported	ily (	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
							Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	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)	Conversion Date Executor Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\	ate	of Securities		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported	e Ownership es Form: ally Direct (D) or Indirect g (I) (Instr. 4	Ownership Form:	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s (Instr. 4)			
Dividend Equivalent Rights	(1)	09/10/2004		A		18.8578		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	18.8578	\$26.14	120.74	52	D	
Dividend Equivalents on Restricted Stock Units	(1)	09/10/2004		A		95.8		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	95.8	\$26.14	1,484.	.3	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 1-for-1
- 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: Charles L. Sullivan, Jr.

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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