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* MAHONEY KEVIN P					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [SON]							Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
MARC	MEIN	<u>EVIN P</u>			I^{-}						J			Directo	or		10% Ow	ner
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		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	/ative	e Se	curities	Ac	quired, Di	sposed	of, or Be	enefic	ially	Owned	<u> </u>			
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					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Share	ber					
Phantom Stock	(1)	08/31/2004			A		24.222		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	24.2	222	\$25.91	513.2		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 1-for-1
- 2. The reported phantom stock units were acquired under Sonoco Products Company's excess benefit plan and will be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

By: George S. Hartley - Power

09/01/2004 of Attorney For: Kevin P.

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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).
- ** 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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