FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  COKER CHARLES W					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [ SON ]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner								
(Last) ONE NO	•	First)	(Middle)	)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/05/2004								<u> </u>	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Chariman							
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(Street) HARTS	VILLE S	С	29550					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(5	State)	(Zip)												Persor		ore triair	Опе кер	nung			
		Tal	ole I - I	Non-Der	ivativ	e Sec	curitie	s Ac	quire	ed, D	isposed o	of, or E	Benef	iciall	y Owned							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	· I	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			nd 5)	Beneficially Owned Following		6. Owne Form: D (D) or In g (I) (Instr	Direct Indirect B r. 4) O	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership						
						Code V		Amount	(A) or Price			Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(1	(Instr. 4)						
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				M		72,996	A	\$21.	7533	751,4	66	Γ					
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		900	D	\$24	1.81	750,5	666	Ε	)				
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		1,100	D	\$24	1.79	749,4	66	Γ	)				
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		1,300	D	\$24	1.77	748,1	.66	Γ	)				
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		596	D	\$24	1.76	747,5	70	Γ					
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		9,100	D	\$24	1.75	738,4	70	Ε					
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		12,300	D	\$24	1.72	726,1	.70	Ε	)				
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		9,700	D	\$2	4.7	716,4	70	Γ	)				
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		700	D	\$24	1.68	715,7	70	Γ	)				
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		3,900	D	\$24	1.65	711,8	70	Γ	)				
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		6,200	D	\$24	1.64	705,6	70	Γ					
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		4,600	D	\$24	1.63	701,0	70	Γ					
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S		1,400	D	\$24	1.62	699,6	70	Γ	)				
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S	Щ	7,200	D	\$2	4.6	692,4	70	Ε	)				
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S	Ш	9,000	D	\$24	1.55	683,4	70	Ε	)				
Common	Stock			01/05/2	2004				S	Ш	5,000	D	\$24	1.53	678,4	70	Γ	)				
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Derivative Conversion Date Execusive Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		if any	emed 4. tion Date, Transa		s, cans, warrann  5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		nber itive ities red sed (Instr.	6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Yo		ate of Se Year) Unde Deriv		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		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	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
					Code	v	(A) (i	D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	or Nu of	ount mber ares								
Non- Qualified Stock Option	\$21.7533	01/05/2004			M			72,996	02/02	2/1995	02/02/2004	Commo		,996	\$0	0		D				

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

By: George S. Hartley - Power 01/07/2004 of Attorney For: Charles W. Coker

\*\* 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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