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 $^{\star}$ $\underline{SMITH\;EDWARD\;L}$				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [ SON ]													ó Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE NORTH SECOND STREET					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2005									X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  VP-CUSTOMER & BUS DEVELOPMEN						
(Street)	VILLE S	С	29550		4. If Amendment, Da				ate of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. 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)										Person							
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,			3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1						es For ally (D) Following (I) (		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	r Pı	rice	Transact	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)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  (Instr. 3)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Y			Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr.		n of l		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	s Illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shai	ber						
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	09/30/2005			A		33.822		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	33.8	822	\$27.31	12,655.80	078	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

of Attorney For: Edward L.

Smith

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

10/04/2005

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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