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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(Instr. 3)

Security

or Exercise

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

BOWEN JIM C

(Middle) (First)

ONE NORTH SECOND STREET

(Street)

HARTSVILLE, SC 29550

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [SON]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

04/30/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(A)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) (Inst Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date orNumber of Shares Phantom Common (2) Stock (1) 04/30/2007 Α 30.058 (2) 30.058 Stock Units

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BOWEN JIM C ONE NORTH SECOND STREET HARTSVILLE, SC 29550

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Date

Signatures

By: George S. Hartley - Power of Attorney For: Jimmy C.
Bowen
05/02/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Sonoco Products Company common stock.
- (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.

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