SMITH EDWARD L

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMITH EDWARD L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [SON]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner

ONE NORTH SECOND STREET

(Street)

(First)

(Month/Day/Year)

Other (specify

02/28/2008

X_ Officer (give title below)

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4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

(Instr. 4)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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HARTSVILLE, SC 29550

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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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 Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (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 Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	Disposed of	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code V	V (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	02/28/2008		A	329.745		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	329.745	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH EDWARD L ONE NORTH SECOND STREET HARTSVILLE, SC 29550

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Signatures

By: George S. Hartley - Power of Attorney For: Edward L.
Smith
03/04/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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