SONOCO PRODUCTS CO Form 8-K April 21, 2004

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 21, 2004

SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY

Commission File No. 0-516

Incorporated under the laws of South Carolina

I.R.S. Employer Identification No. 57-0248420

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Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibit 99 Registrant s 2004 First Quarter Earnings Release

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 21, 2004, Sonoco Products Company issued a news release reporting the financial results of the Company for the quarter ended March 28, 2004. A copy of that release is attached as an exhibit hereto.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1034, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY

Date: April 21, 2004 By: /s/ C.J. Hupfer

C.J. Hupfer

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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