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

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

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**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 17, 2007**

**SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY**

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Commission File No. 0-516

Incorporated under the laws  
of South Carolina

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

1 N. Second St.  
Hartsville, South Carolina 29550  
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**Section 5 — Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

Philippe R. Rollier, formerly president and chief executive officer of Lafarge North America, Inc. and executive vice president of Lafarge Group, was elected to the Sonoco Board of Directors on July 17, 2007.

The Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee, which recommends committee appointments, has not yet discussed the committees to which Mr. Rollier will be appointed.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY**

Date: July 23, 2007

By: /s/ C.J. Hupfer  
C.J. Hupfer  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer