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* HARTLEY CYNTHIA A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SONOCO PRODUCTS CO</u> [SON]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/10/2003	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT-HUMAN
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		if any			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)

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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		Derivativ Securitie Acquired or Dispos of (D) (In	Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A)		4 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Dividend Equivalent Rights	0	06/10/2003		A ⁽¹⁾		18.2737		08/08/1988 ⁽¹⁾	08/08/1988	Common Stock	18.2737	\$ 23.19	\$ 218.1344	D	
Dividend Equivalents on Restricted Stock Units	0	06/10/2003		A ⁽²⁾		124.8		08/08/1988 ⁽²⁾	08/08/1988	Common Stock	124.8	\$ 23.19	\$2,904.4	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Acquired on quarterly dividend on the Sonoco Products Company excess benefit plan and are to be settled in cash upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

2. Acquired on quarterly dividend. The rights become exercisable proportionately with the options to which they relate.

<u>By: GEORGE S. HARTLEY -</u>	
POWER OF ATTORNEY For:	06/11/2003
CYNTHIA A HARTLEY	

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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