SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 _____ FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) or (g) of the SECURITIES ACT OF 1934 SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY _____ (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) South Carolina 57-0248420 _ _____ (State of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) Post Office Box 160 Hartsville, South Carolina 29551 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class Name of each exchange on which to be so registered each class is to be registered _____ -----Common Stock, No Par Value New York Stock Exchange 3,450,000 shares of \$2.25 Series A Convertible Preferred Stock New York Stock Exchange

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Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

(Title of Class)

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Item 1. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered

A description of the Common Stock and the Series A Preferred Stock registered hereunder comparable to that required by Item 1 of Form 8-A is set forth under the captions "Description of Convertible Preferred Stock" and "Description of Capital Stock" in the Prospectus contained in the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 33-50501) filed with the Commission on October 4, 1993. Such Prospectus may be revised, supplemented, modified, or amended, and is hereby incorporated by reference in answer to this Item 1. All exhibits required by Instruction II to Item 2 will be supplied to the New York Stock Exchange.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY

By: /s/ Thomas C. Coxe, III

Thomas C. Coxe, III Senior Executive Vice President

Date: February 14, 1995