

HUPFER CHARLES J
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HUPFER CHARLES J

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE NORTH SECOND STREET

 (Street)
HARTSVILLE, SC 29550

 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [SON]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
12/19/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

 (Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/19/2008		M	1,105 A \$ 0	1,388.0018	D	
Common Stock	12/19/2008		F	1,105 D \$ 24.16	283.0018	D	
Common Stock					3,505.83	I	by 401(k) plan

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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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Amount of Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	12/19/2008		M	1,105	(1) (1)	Common Stock	1,105 \$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HUPFER CHARLES J
ONE NORTH SECOND STREET
HARTSVILLE, SC 29550

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT & CFO

Signatures

By: George S. Hartley - Power of Attorney For: Charles J. Hupfer

12/23/2008

__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. The shares were cashed out to account for withholding taxes.

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