

Fuller Rodger D  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Fuller Rodger D

(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)  
09/16/2009

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)

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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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	09/16/2009		M	3,333	A \$ 28.77	23,274	D
Common Stock	09/16/2009		F	1,067	D \$ 28.77	22,207	D
Common Stock	09/17/2009		M	3,333	A \$ 28.43	25,540	D
Common Stock	09/17/2009		F	1,115	D \$ 28.43	24,425	D
Common Stock	09/18/2009		M	1,152	A \$ 28.43	25,577	D

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Common Stock	09/18/2009	F	385	D	\$ 28.43	25,192	D	
Common Stock						9,108.65	I	by 401(k) plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Dividend Equivalents on Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	09/18/2009		M	1,152	02/22/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	1,152
Restricted Stock	<u>(2)</u>	09/16/2009		M	3,333	02/22/2008	02/22/2010	Common Stock	3,333
Restricted Stock	<u>(2)</u>	09/17/2009		M	3,333	02/22/2008	02/22/2010	Common Stock	3,333

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Fuller Rodger D ONE NORTH SECOND STREET HARTSVILLE, SC 29550			VP GLOBAL RIGID PAPER	

## Signatures

By: George S. Hartley - Power of Attorney For: Rodger D.  
Fuller

09/24/2009

\_\_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).

Settlement of dividend equivalent rights in connection with exercise of option. The rights accrued when and as dividends were paid on

(1) Sonoco Products Company common stock and became exercisable proportionately with the option to which they related. Each dividend equivalent right is the economic equivalent of one share of Sonoco Products Company common stock.

(2) Vesting of Restricted Stock units (conversion of derivative security) and subsequent issuance of shares.

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