

SONOCO PRODUCTS CO

Form 8-K

April 21, 2004

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**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): April 21, 2004

**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

One North Second Street  
Post Office Box 160  
Hartsville, South Carolina 29551-0160  
Telephone: 843-383-7000

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**Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibit 99 Registrant's 2004 First Quarter Earnings Release

**Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On April 21, 2004, Sonoco Products Company issued a news release reporting the financial results of the Company for the quarter ended March 28, 2004. A copy of that release is attached as an exhibit hereto.

**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: April 21, 2004

By: /s/ C.J. Hupfer

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C.J. Hupfer  
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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