MAHONEY KEVIN P

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MAHONEY KEVIN P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [SON]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(Middle) (First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

12/10/2009

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

X_ Officer (give title below) below)

ONE NORTH SECOND STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

VP - CORP. PLANNING 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

HARTSVILLE, SC 29550

(State) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

5. Number 4. Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Securities Code

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Underlying Securities De (Instr. 3 and 4) Se

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	of					(In
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Dividend Equivalents on Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	12/10/2009		A		63.9		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	63.9	\$
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	12/10/2009		A		146.2		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	146.2	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Keiationsnips		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

MAHONEY KEVIN P ONE NORTH SECOND STREET HARTSVILLE, SC 29550

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Signatures

By: Power Of Attorney-George S. Hartley For: Kevin P.

Mahoney

12/14/2009

**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).
- (1) The dividend equivalent rights become exercisable appropriately with the options to which it is related. Each dividend equivalent right is the economic equivalent of one share of Sonoco Products Company common stock.
- (2) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Sonoco Products Company common stock.
- (3) Acquired on quarterly dividend on Sonoco Products Company's deferred long term incentive plan and are to be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.
- (4) Includes 15.0390 dividend reinvestment shares on March 10, 2009 under Sonoco Products Company's restoration plan and 166.5845 dividend reinvestment shares on June 10, 2009 under Sonoco Products Company's long term incentive plan.

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