Pignone Marty F Form 4 December 14, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

obligations may continue. See Instruction

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Pignone Marty F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [SON]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2009

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

ONE NORTH SECOND STREET

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

VP GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL MFG 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

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

Person

HARTSVILLE, SC 29550

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

(A)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Underlying Securities De Securities Security or Exercise Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Se any

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(In
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Dividend Equivalents on Restricted Stock Units	(1)	12/10/2009		A		107.3		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	107.3	\$
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	12/10/2009		A		109		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	109	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Pignone Marty F ONE NORTH SECOND STREET HARTSVILLE, SC 29550

VP GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL MFG

Signatures

By: Power Of Attorney-George S. Hartley For: Marty F.

Pignone 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.

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