

SONOCO PRODUCTS CO

Form 8-K

December 06, 2007

**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**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 5, 2007

**SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY**

Commission File No. 0-516

Incorporated under the laws  
of South Carolina

I.R.S. Employer Identification  
No. 57-0248420

1 N. Second St.  
Hartsville, South Carolina 29550  
Telephone: 843/383-7000

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**Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

On December 5, 2007, the Board of Directors of Sonoco Products Company (the Company ) approved the adoption of amendments to Sections 1 and 2 of Article V of the Company s Bylaws to permit the Company to issue uncertificated securities, as set forth in Section 501.00 of the New York Stock Exchange Listed Company Manual. The amendments make the Company eligible to participate in the Direct Registration System, a system administered by The Depository Trust Company, which allows an investor s ownership to be recorded and maintained on the books of the issuer or the transfer agent without the issuance of a physical stock certificate. The Bylaws, as amended, are included with this report as Exhibit 3-2.

**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibit 3-2 Registrant s Bylaws, as amended

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**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: December 6, 2007

By: /s/ C.J. Hupfer  
C.J. Hupfer  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer