

SONOCO PRODUCTS CO
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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): January 20, 2012

SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY

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Incorporated under the laws

I.R.S. Employer Identification

of South Carolina

No. 57-0248420

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Hartsville, South Carolina 29550

Telephone: 843/383-7000

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Section 2 Financial Information

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 20, 2012, Sonoco Products Company issued a news release reporting the preliminary financial results of the Company for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2011. A copy of that release is attached as an exhibit hereto.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibit 99 Registrant's Preliminary 2011 Fourth Quarter Earnings Release

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: January 20, 2012

By: /s/ Barry L. Saunders
Barry L. Saunders
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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