

SONOCO PRODUCTS CO

Form 8-K

July 17, 2008

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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): July 15, 2008
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

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On July 15, 2008, Charles J. Bradshaw retired from the Board of Directors of Sonoco Products Company having reached the age of 72, the mandatory retirement age for members of the Board.

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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: July 17, 2008

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