SONOCO PRODUCTS CO Form 8-K December 02, 2005

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 2, 2005 SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY

Commission File No. 0-516

Incorporated under the laws of South Carolina

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

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Section 7 Regulation FD

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On December 2, 2005, Sonoco Products Company issued a news release providing an overview of growth strategy and announcing 2006 earnings guidance. 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 press release providing an overview of growth strategy and announcing 2006 earnings guidance

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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 2, 2005 By: /s/ C.J. Hupfer

C.J. Hupfer

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

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