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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): March 31, 2016 SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY Commission File No. 001-11261

Incorporated under the laws of South Carolina 1 N. Second St. Hartsville, South Carolina 29550 Telephone: 843/383-7000 I.R.S. Employer Identification No. 57-0248420

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Section 5 – Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 31, 2016, John M. Colyer, Jr., Senior Vice President, retired from Sonoco Products Company (the "Company"), effective immediately. As previously announced on December 1, 2015, Mr. Colyer relinquished his day-to-day operating responsibilities. Mr. Colyer's various duties were reassigned among Mr. Robert C. Tiede, Senior Vice President, Global Consumer Packaging & Services, Protective Solutions, & Reels, Mr. Rodger D, Fuller, Group Vice President, Paper & Industrial Converted Products, Americas, and Mr. R. Howard Coker, Group Vice President, Global Rigid Paper & Closures and Paper & Industrial Converted Products, EMEA, Asia, Australia and New Zealand.

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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: April 4, 2016 By: /s/ Barry L. Saunders

Barry L. Saunders

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer