

SONOCO PRODUCTS CO
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Registration No. 333-100798
Registration No. 333-12657

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8
(Post-Effective Amendment No. 1)

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

South Carolina
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

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

One North Second Street, Hartsville, South Carolina 29550
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY
Sonoco Products Company 1996 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Plan
(Full title of the plan)

Barry L. Saunders
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer
Sonoco Products Company
One North Second Street
Hartsville, South Carolina 29550
(Name and address of agent for service)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer o
Non-accelerated filer o (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company o

INTRODUCTION

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statements No. 333-100798 and No. 333-12657 on Form S-8 is being filed for the purpose of removing from registration any securities that have been registered for issuance but remain unsold under the Sonoco Products Company 1996 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Plan (the "Plan"), as well as the indeterminate number of shares originally registered for issuance to prevent dilution in the event of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions with respect to shares acquired pursuant to the terms of the Plan. This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 is being filed pursuant to the undertakings in Part II, Item 9(3) of the Registration Statements because, effective August 12, 2015, the Registrant has terminated the offering of securities pursuant to the Plan.

TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION

Based on the foregoing Explanatory Note, the Registrant is, therefore, filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statements No. 333-100798 and No. 333-12657 on Form S-8 to deregister all of the shares of Sonoco Products Company Common Stock that remained available for issuance under the Plan, but unsold, upon termination of the offering on August 12, 2015, as well as the indeterminate number of shares originally registered for issuance to prevent dilution in the event of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions with respect to shares acquired pursuant to the terms of the Plan.

SIGNATURES

The Registrant

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Hartsville, State of South Carolina on August 21, 2015.

Sonoco Products Company

By: s/M. Jack Sanders
M. Jack Sanders
President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on August 21, 2015.

Sonoco Products Company

By: s/Barry L. Saunders
Barry L. Saunders
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
(principal accounting officer)

