SONOCO PRODUCTS CO Form 8-K December 01, 2017

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 1, 2017

SONOCO PRODUCTS COMPANY

Commission File No. 001-11261

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

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Section 7 – Regulation FD

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On December 1, 2017, Sonoco Products Company (the "Company") hosted its annual investor conference in New York City in which it provided an update on its 2017 financial performance, outlined strategic priorities and provided details of its financial outlook for 2018. On December 1, 2017, the Company issued a news release communicating the material highlights of the New York presentation. A copy of that release is attached as an exhibit hereto. Section 9 – Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit Index

(d) <u>Exhibit 99 – Registrant's news release providing an update on the Company's 2017 financial performance, outlining strategic priorities and detailing its financial outlook for 2018.</u>

## 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 1, 2017 By:/s/ Barry L. Saunders Barry L. Saunders Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer