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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RETTLER STEVE W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

SMITH A O CORP [AOS]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

A. O. SMITH

10/26/2005

below)

Vice President

CORPORATION, 11270 WEST PARK PLACE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MILWAUKEE,, WI 53224

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit corr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of	` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	10/26/2005		M	9,700	A	\$ 18.313	16,950	D	
Common Stock	10/26/2005		M	20,900	A	\$ 13.563	37,850	D	
Common Stock	10/26/2005		S	30,600	D	\$ 31.528	7,250	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1)	\$ 18.313	10/26/2005		M	9,700	10/05/1999	10/06/2008	Common Stock	9,700
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) (2)	\$ 13.563	10/26/2005		M	20,900	10/09/2001	10/10/2010	Common Stock	20,900

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Transfer of the same of the sa	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RETTLER STEVE W							
A. O. SMITH CORPORATION			Vice				
11270 WEST PARK PLACE			President				
MILWAUKEE WI 53224							

Signatures

W. David Romoser, Attorney-in-Fact for Steve W.
Rettler

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Granted on 10/06/1998 under the A. O. Smith Corporation 1990 Long-Term Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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