FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Petrarca Mark A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [AOS]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) below)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/11/2005											.R. & P.A.		
(Street) MILWAUKEE WI 53224					4. If A	,									filed by One	p Filing (Check Applicable ne Reporting Person ore than One Reporting		n	
(City) (State) (Zip)																			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Ex if a	A. Deemed xecution Date, any Month/Day/Year)		Code (Ins	Transaction Dispos Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		Benefic	es ally Following	Form (D) o	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	,	Amount	(A) o (D)	Price	Transac	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
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. Deemee Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of		6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		le and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e (10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				C	Code V	,	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Exp Dat	oiration e	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$29.2	10/11/2005			A		4,500		(1)	10/	11/2015	Common Stock	4,500	\$0	10,000)	D		
Phantom Stock	\$29.2	10/11/2005			A		3,700		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	3,700	\$0	3,700		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The employee stock options were granted on 10/11/2005 under the A. O. Smith Combined Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The options become exercisable in three annual installments of 1/3 of the award starting on 10/10/2006.
- 2. The phantom stock was granted on 10/11/2005 under the A. O. Smith Combined Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The shares of phantom stock become payable in Common Stock on the vesting date of 10/22/2008.

Remarks:

W. David Romoser, Attorneyin-Fact for Mark A. Petrarca

10/12/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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