FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMITH BRUCE M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
SMITH BRUCE M										_				X Directo	or		10% Ow	ner	
(Last)	,	(First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/11/2011								Officer (give title Other (sp below) below)				
11270 WEST PARK PLACE																			
						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)					
(Street)														X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
MILWAUKEE WI 53224					_									Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																
		Tal	ole I - Nor	ı-Deriv	vativ	e Se	curities	Acq	uired, I	Disp	osed o	f, or Bei	neficial	y Owned					
				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr.					Beneficia Owned F	s ally following	Form:	Direct Indirect Etr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock														3,9	973	I	<b>)</b> (1)		
Common Stock													19,596			I I	n trust <sup>(2)</sup>		
			Table II -									or Bene ole secu		Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	ion Date E (Month/Day/Year)   E if (M	Execution D			ction Instr.			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number o derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction	is Silly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)				
Phantom Stock	\$42.27	04/11/2011			A		2,130 <sup>(3)</sup>		(4)		(4)	Common Stock	2,130	\$0	20,502 <sup>0</sup>	(5)	D		
Class A Common Stock	\$0 <sup>(6)</sup>								(7)		(8)	Common Stock	0		117,16	62	I	In trust <sup>(2)</sup>	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1.\ Shares\ deferred\ under\ the\ A.\ O.\ Smith\ Nonqualified\ Deferred\ Compensation\ Plan.$
- 2. The reporting person beneficially owns these shares as settlor of a revocable family trust.
- 3. Payment of portion of retainer in phantom stock under the A. O. Smith Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan.
- 4. The Plan permits the participant/recipient to defer receipt of the award, and Mr. Smith has made a deferral.
- 5. The Phantom Stock receives a quarterly dividend pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the A. O. Smith Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan. The total amount of dividends received was 61 shares of Phantom Stock.
- 6. 1 for 1
- 7. Convertible at any time.
- 8. None.

## Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Bruce M. Smith

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

04/12/2011

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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