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### FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	ss of Reporting Pers J <u>CE M</u>	son*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SMITH A O CORP</u> [ AOS ]		ationship of Reporting Pe ( all applicable) Director	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		
	(First) TMENT COMPA	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/14/2008		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
11270 WEST PARK PLACE			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applica Line)				
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Re	porting Person		
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#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock								2,649	Ι	By Plan <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock								14,797	Ι	See footnote <sup>(2)</sup>

# 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. Transa Code ( 8)		of		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 of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Phantom Stock	\$33.12	07/14/2008		А		680 <sup>(3)</sup>		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	680	\$ <mark>0</mark>	7,160	D	
Class A Common Stock	\$0 <sup>(5)</sup>							(6)	(7)	Common Stock	0 <sup>(8)</sup>		76,566	Ι	See footnote <sup>(2)</sup>

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares deferred under the A. O. Smith Corporation Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan.

2. Represents holdings of Smith Investment Company common stock.

3. Payment of portion of retainer in phantom stock under the A. O. Smith Corporation Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan.

4. The Plan (See Footnote #3) permits the participant/recipient to defer receipt of the award, and Mr. Smith has made a deferral.

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6. Convertible at any time.

7. None.

8. No change.

**Remarks:** 

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

07/16/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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