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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BROWN RONALD D					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ]							(Ch	Relationship of eck all applications	,	rson(s) to Issi 10% Ov		
(Last) (First) (Middle) A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/09/2018								Officer below)	(give title	Other (s below)	pecify	
(Street)  MILWAUKEE WI 53224  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	e) X Form fi Form fi				
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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	Date Exe (Month/Day/Year) if a	3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/	ate, Tra	Transaction Code (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 of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Co	ode \	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)			
Restricted Stock Units	\$63.48	04/09/2018			A		1,970 <sup>(1)</sup>		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,970	\$0	51,756 <sup>(3)</sup>	D		

### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Payment of retainer in Restricted Stock Units under the A. O. Smith Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan based on the market price of the Common Stock on April 9, 2018.
- 2. The Plan permits the participant to defer the receipt of the award, and Mr. Brown has made a deferral.
- 3. The Restricted Stock Units receive 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 638 units of Restricted Stock Units.

## Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Ronald D. Brown

04/10/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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