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*  Heideman Robert J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ]								5. Relationship of Reporting (Check all applicable)  Director  X Officer (give title			10% O	wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) A. O. SMITH CORPORATION						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2024								Senior VP, CTO					
11000 WEST PARK PLACE						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) MILWAUKEE WI 53224														X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)						Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication													
						Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.													
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Trans	ed action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 02/15/202									G		1,585	D	\$0	9,455			D		
Common Stock 03/05/202						24					9,890	A	\$60.82	19,345			D		
Common Stock 03/05/202						)24			S		9,890	D	D \$84.6349 <sup>(1)</sup> 9		9,455	D			
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)				6. Date Expira (Monti	tion D			of es ing ve Security	8. Price o Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Options (Right to	\$60.82	03/05/2024			M			9,890	(2	2)	02/08/2031	Commo	9,890	\$0	0		D		

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The prices actually received ranged from \$84.34 to \$84.81. The reporting person has provided to the issuer, and will provide to any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range for all transactions reported on this Form 4 utilizing an average weighted price.
- 2. The employee stock options were granted on 02/08/2021 under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The options became exercisable in three annual installments of 1/3 of the award starting on 02/08/2022.

## Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert J. Heideman

03/05/2024

\*\* 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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