FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*						Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
JONES PAUL W						SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ]									(Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
																	O#:/		(specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle)							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									below)			)``	
A. O. SMITH CORPORATION						12/12/2008									Chair, Pres. and CEO					
11270 WEST PARK PLACE																				
						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) MILWAU	JKEE W	71	53224											-	X	Form	n filed by One	e Reporting Pers	son	
WILWAC	JKEE V	/1	33224													Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(5	itate) (	Zip)			Person														
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Date)						Execution Dat		Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)						l and 5) Secu Bene Own		cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										v	Amount	()	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(111501.4)	
Common Stock 12/12/2						2008		F		14,256	5 D \$27.		585 64,544		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)	vative Conversion Date Execution Date, irity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			n Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		J nstr. 3			9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Nu of	ımber						

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Paul W. Jones

12/16/2008

\*\* 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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