### 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*  KITA JOHN J						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ]									ck all app Dired	,	10	to Issuer 0% Owner ther (specify	
	IITH COI	First) ( RPORATION K PLACE	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/07/2011								X	belov		be	elow)	
(Street)  MILWAU  (City)	JKEE V	VI !	53224 (Zip)		_ 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deriv	/ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or l	Benef	cially	/ Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquire Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 8)			red (A) o	r and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Followir Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	ct of Indirect				
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Common Stock 02/07/20					2011	011		A		5,022(1)	A	. \$4	3.115	1	18,847				
Common Stock 02/09/20				2011	011		S		2,297(2)	D	\$41.7435		5 16,550		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. Conversio or Exercis Price of Derivative Security		h/Day/Year) if any	emed ion Date, /Day/Year)		ransaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Exerc tion Da h/Day/\		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		De Se (In	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4)	
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### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Vesting to reporting person of restricted stock units settled in shares of common stock under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan upon attainment of performance criteria.
- 2. The reporting person sold these shares to obtain funds to pay the withholding taxes due as a result of the vesting of the restricted stock units described in footnote (1).

# Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for John J. Kita 02/09/2011

\*\* 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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