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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Ackerman Patricia K (Last) (First) (Middle) A. O. SMITH CORPORATION					- <u>SI</u> 3. [	MIT	HAC	<u>) C(</u>	cker or Tradir <u> ORP</u> [ AO nsaction (Mon	s ]		(Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) SVP, IR,Treasurer & CRS						
11270 WEST PARK PLACE (Street) MILWAUKEE WI 53224 (City) (State) (Zip)					_ 4.1	Line)									Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable filed by One Reporting Person filed by More than One Reporting n			n	
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					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expi Date	iration	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$60.82	02/08/2021			A		4,240		(1)	02/08	8/2031	Common Stock	4,240	\$0	24,075	5	D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$60.82	02/08/2021			A		975		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	975	\$0	22,299 <sup>(:</sup>	3)	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. 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 become exerciable in three annual installments of 1/3 of the award starting on 02/08/2022.

2. The restricted stock units were granted on 02/08/2021 under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The restricted stock units become payable in Common Stock on the vesting date of 02/08/2024.

3. The Restricted Stock Units that Ms. Ackerman has deferred received 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 373 Restricted Stock Units.

## Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Patricia K. Ackerman 02/10/2021

\*\* 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).

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