FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person  Goodwin Wallace E   |  |  |        |                                   |                                       |   | SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ]                                      |       |                             |                 |  |                 |  |  | all appli<br>Directo                      | ,   |               | 10% Ov<br>Other (s   | ner   |  |  |
|--|--|--|--------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|-------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|--|--|---|---|---------------|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) LOCHINVAR, LLC   |  |  |        |                                   |                                       | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/22/2020 |   |       |                             |                 |  |                 |  | X  | below)                                    |   | , Loc         | below)   | `   |  |  |
| 300 MADDOX SIMPSON PARKWAY   |  |  |        |                                   |                                       |   | If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)       |       |                             |                 |  |                 |  |  |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable   |               |  |   |  |  |
| (Street) LEBANON TN 37090  |  |  |        |                                   |                                       |   |   |       |                             |                 |  |                 |  | Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |   |               |  |   |  |  |
| (City)   | (City) (State) (Zip)   |  |        |                                   |                                       |   |   |       |                             |                 |  |                 |  | -  |   |   |               |  |   |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction 2.A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature |  |  |        |                                   |                                       |   |   |       |                             |                 |  |                 |  |  |   |   |               |  |   |  |  |
| Date   |  |  |        |                                   | Transaction<br>ate<br>Month/Day/Year) |   | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |       |                             | ction<br>Instr. | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar |                 | (A) or<br>3, 4 and 5                   | Benefic  |   | es<br>ially<br>Following  | Forn<br>(D) o | n: Direct<br>or Indirect<br>nstr. 4)                                     | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |  |  |
|  |  |  |        |                                   |                                       |   |   | Code  | v                           | Amount          | (A) or<br>(D)  | Price           | Transac<br>(Instr. 3                   |  | tion(s)                                   |   |               | (Instr. 4)   |   |  |  |
| Common Stock 09/22/202   |  |  |        |                                   |                                       | 0   |   | М     |                             | 5,600           | Α  | \$10.7          | \$10.779                               |  | 21,698(1)                                 |   | D             |  |   |  |  |
| Common Stock 09/22/202   |  |  |        |                                   |                                       | .0  |   | S     |                             | 5,600           | D  | \$52.278        | 52.2787 <sup>(2)</sup>                 |  | 5,098                                     |   | D             |  |   |  |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |        |                                   |                                       |   |   |       |                             |                 |  |                 |  |  |   |   |               |  |   |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | if any | emed<br>tion Date,<br>n/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8)          |   |   |       | 6. Date<br>Expira<br>(Month | tion D          |  |                 | of<br>es<br>ing<br>/e Security         | De<br>Se<br>(In  | Price of<br>rivative<br>curity<br>str. 5) | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 4) | у             | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)               |  |  |
|  |  |  |        |                                   | Code                                  | v   | (A)   | (D)   | Date<br>Exerci              | sable           | Expiration<br>Date   | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |  |   |   |               |  |   |  |  |
| Employee<br>Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to  | \$10.779   | 09/22/2020                                 |        |                                   | М                                     |   |   | 5,600 | (3                          | )               | 02/07/2021   | Common<br>Stock | 5,600                                  |  | \$0                                       | 67,680  |               | D  |   |  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Mr. Goodwin is a participant in the A. O. Smith Dividend Reinvestment Plan ('Plan") and receives a quarterly dividend pursuant to the Plan. The total amount of dividends received was 43 shares of Common Stock
- 2. The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The prices actually received ranged from \$51.77 to \$52.50. 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
- 3. The employee stock options were granted on 02/07/2011 under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The options become exercisable in three annual installments of 1/3 of the award starting on 02/07/2012.

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Wallace E. Goodwin

09/23/2020

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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