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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>Jones Paul J</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>A. O. SMITH CORPORATION</u> <u>11270 WEST PARK PLACE</u> (Street) <u>MILWAUKEE WI</u> <u>53224</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>10/01/2025</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SMITH A O CORP</u> [<u>AOS</u>]	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner ☒ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP, GC & Chief Compliance Off</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
<u>Restricted Stock Units</u>	(1)	(1)	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>1,545</u>	(2)	<u>D</u>	
<u>Restricted Stock Units</u>	(3)	(3)	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>1,985</u>	(2)	<u>D</u>	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The restricted stock units were granted on 02/12/2024 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 02/12/2027.
2. Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, at settlement, one share of Common Stock.
3. The restricted stock units were granted on 02/10/2025 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 02/10/2028.

Remarks:

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

10/01/2025

** 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 5 (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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