#### FORM 4

# **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Rajendra Ajita G					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ]							5. Re (Che	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) A. O. SMITH CORPORATION					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/09/2018								Officer (below)	r (give title		Other (specify below)		
11270 WEST PARK PLACE  (Street)  MILWAUKEE WI 53224					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(5	State)	(Zip)											Person	•			
			able I - No			_			_	, Dis	posed of	-		_				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea		- 1	Execution Date,		Code (Instr.					5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	s ally	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	ect I rect E	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				Instr. 4)	
Common	Stock			02/	02/08/2018				G		51,441	D	<b>\$0</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	285	285,404			
Common Stock			02/	02/09/2018				М		29,500 <sup>(2)</sup>	) A	\$60.11	314	,904	D			
Common	Stock			02/	09/20	18			F		13,886	D	\$60.11	1 301,018		D		
Common Stock													60,333				Held by Spouse	
			Table II								osed of, c			Owned			,	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported	e Ow s For lly Dir or l	nership m: ect (D) ndirect Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transactio (Instr. 4)	on(s)		
Restricted Stock Units	\$60.11	02/08/2018			M			29,500	(2)	)	(2)	Common Stock	29,500	\$0	51,56	5	D	
Restricted Stock Unis	\$61.76	02/12/2018			A		18,700		(3)	)	(3)	Common Stock	18,700	\$0	70,26	5	D	
Employee Stock Options (Right to	\$61.76	02/12/2018			A		77,740		(4)	)	02/12/2028	Common Stock	77,740	\$0	819,68	30	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 2. 29,500 Restricted Stock Units were granted on 02/09/2015, under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction excempt under Rule 16b-3. 29,500 Restricted Stock Units vested on 02/09/2018. As a result of vesting, the Company is obligated to deliver 29,500 shares of Common Stock to the reporting person.
- 3. The restricted stock units were granted on 02/12/2018 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 02/12/2021.
- 4. The employee stock options were granted on 02/12/2018 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 02/12/2019.

#### Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact 02/13/2018 for Ajita G. Rajendra

\*\* 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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