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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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FORM 4

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). 0.5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SMITH A O CORP</u> [AOS] 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) RETTLER STEVE W Director 10% Owner х Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/20/2007 Senior Vice President - CD A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (Street) х Form filed by One Reporting Person MILWAUKEE WI 53224 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficia Ownership (Instr.	
		(Month/Day/Year)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		4)	
Common Stock	07/20/2007		М		9,650	Α	\$15.135	16,900	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		100	D	\$50.33	16,800	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		100	D	\$50.34	16,700	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		100	D	\$50.35	16,600	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		100	D	\$50.36	16,500	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		300	D	\$50.39	16,200	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		100	D	\$50.42	16,100	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		200	D	\$50.43	15,900	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		300	D	\$50.45	15,600	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		200	D	\$50.46	15,400	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		500	D	\$50.47	14,900	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		100	D	\$50.48	14,800	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		100	D	\$50.49	14,700	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		1,200	D	\$50.5	13,500	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		700	D	\$50.51	12,800	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		100	D	\$50.52	12,700	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		100	D	\$50.57	12,600	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		100	D	\$50.62	12,500	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		s		5,000	D	\$50.66	7,500	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		S		50	D	\$50.68	7,450	D		
Common Stock	07/20/2007		s		200	D	\$50.72	7,250	D		
Table					ed of, or Benefic nvertible securit		ed				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 2. 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 4. Trans	action Code 5. Nu	,	· ·	,	ble and 7. Title and	,	urities Underlying	a 8. Price of 9. Nu	nber of 10. Ownership	11. Nature of	

	Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date,	(Instr. 8)		Securities Acquired (A) or		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)			I
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$15.135	07/20/2007		М			9,650	10/08/2002	10/09/2011	Common Stock	9,650	\$0	35,817	D		1

Explanation of Responses:

1. Granted on 10/09/2001 under the A. O. Smith Corporation Long-Term Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.

Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Steve W. 07/23/2007 Rettler

** 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that, for good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency and receipt of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned revokes the Powe (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned (in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules thereunder (the (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned that may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Documents and timely fil (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best : The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or act's substitute or substitutes) from and against any and all loss, damage or liability that such attorney-in-fact may sustain as a result of any action taken in goo This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Documents with respect to the undersigned's holding: IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 19th day of July, 2007.

/s/Steve W. Rettler

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