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* SMITH MARK D						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [AOS]									heck all a		g Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3725 WEST GRACE AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2005									Off bel	cer (give title ow)			
(Street) MEQUON, WI 53092 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) X Fo	al or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable form filed by One Reporting Person form filed by More than One Reporting ferson			
		Tabl	e I - Nor	-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	es Ac	quired	Dis	posed o	f, or l	Bene	ficia	lly Owr	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (ADisposed Of (D) (Instr. 35)				d Secu Bend	nount of irities eficially ed Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price	Tran	saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			(1130.4)
Common	04/01	/ <mark>200</mark> 5	2005		A		695(1)		A \$28		81	2,845							
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	onversion Date Execution Date, Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any if any		Date, y/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiration (Month/II)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Date Date Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amount or Numbe of Title Shares		ount ober	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Owners Form: Direct or India (I) (Inst	(D) rect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Explanation of Responses:

1. Payment of portion of retainer in stock under the A. O. Smith Corporation Directors' Compensation Plan based on the market price of the Common Stock on April 1, 2005.

Remarks:

W. David Romoser, Attorneyin-Fact for Mark D. Smith 04/05/2005

** 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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