

RETTLER STEVE W

Form 4

February 14, 2011

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RETTLER STEVE W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**A. O. SMITH
CORPORATION, 11270 WEST
PARK PLACE**

(Street)

MILWAUKEE, WI 53224

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

SMITH A O CORP [AOS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

02/11/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President - CD

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 (Month/Day/Year)	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) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount (1) or (2)	Price (D)		
Common Stock	02/11/2011		M		3,000 (1)	\$ 42.2197	17,580	D
Common Stock	02/11/2011		S		1,322 (2)	\$ 42.2197	16,258	D

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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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr.	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/11/2011		M	3,000	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
RETTLER STEVE W A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE MILWAUKEE, WI 53224	Senior Vice President - CD

Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Steve W.
Rettler 02/14/2011

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) 3,000 Restricted Stock Units were granted on 02/11/2008, under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. 3,000 Restricted Stock Units vested on 02/11/2011. As of result of vesting, the Company is obligated to deliver 3,000 shares of Common Stock to the reporting person.
- (2) The reporting person sold these shares to obtain funds to pay the withholding taxes due as a result of the vesting of the restricted stock units described in footnote (1).

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