

SMITH A O CORP
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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)
10/26/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	10/26/2005		M		9,700	A	\$ 18.313
Common Stock	10/26/2005		M		20,900	A	\$ 13.563
Common Stock	10/26/2005		S		30,600	D	\$ 31.528

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 18.313	10/26/2005		M	9,700	10/05/1999 10/06/2008	Common Stock	9,700
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 13.563	10/26/2005		M	20,900	10/09/2001 10/10/2010	Common Stock	20,900

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			Vice President	

Signatures

W. David Romoser, Attorney-in-Fact for Steve W. Rettler	10/27/2005
**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) Granted on 10/06/1998 under the A. O. Smith Corporation 1990 Long-Term Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (2)

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Granted on 10/10/2000 under the A. O. Smith Corporation Long-Term Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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