

SMITH A O CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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)  
**07/20/2007**

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)  
**Senior Vice President - CD**

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	07/20/2007		M		9,650	A	\$ 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

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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

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)

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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)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 15.135	07/20/2007		M	9,650	10/08/2002	10/09/2011			Common Stock	9,650

## 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 07/23/2007

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

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