#### RETTLER STEVE W

Form 4

February 11, 2011

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
RETTLER STEVE W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

SMITH A O CORP [AOS]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/10/2011

10% Owner Director \_X\_\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

A. O. SMITH CORPORATION, 11270 WEST

PARK PLACE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

below) Senior Vice President - CD

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MILWAUKEE, WI 53224

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly 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) tiomr Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/10/2011		M	16,050	A	\$ 19.133	32,386	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2011		M	6,750	D	\$ 16.427	39,136	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	100	D	\$ 41.59	39,036	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	100	D	\$ 41.61	38,936	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	300	D	\$ 41.63	38,636	D	

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Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	400	D	\$ 41.65 38,236	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	600	D	\$ 41.66 37,636	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	400	D	\$ 41.67 37,236	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	100	D	\$ 41.68 37,136	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	300	D	\$ 41.69 36,836	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	300	D	\$ 41.7 36,536	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	100	D	\$ 41.71 36,436	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	300	D	\$ 41.72 36,136	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	200	D	\$ 41.74 35,936	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	200	D	\$ 41.75 35,736	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	300	D	\$ 41.77 35,436	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	100	D	\$ 41.78 35,336	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	100	D	\$ 41.79 35,236	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	200	D	\$ 41.81 35,036	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	100	D	\$ 41.84 34,936	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	300	D	\$ 41.85 34,636	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	100	D	\$ 41.86 34,536	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	100	D	\$ 41.88 34,436	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	200	D	\$ 41.89 34,236	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	500	D	\$ 41.9 33,736	D
	02/10/2011	S	200	D	\$ 41.91 33,536	D

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Common Stock						
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	700	D	\$ 41.92 32,836	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	200	D	\$ 41.93 32,636	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	300	D	\$ 41.94 32,336	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	400	D	\$ 41.96 31,936	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	onDerivative		orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		sactionDerivative e Securities tr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercise Expiration Date (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.33	02/10/2011		M		16,050 (1)	10/06/2004	10/07/2013	Common Stock	16,050				
Employee Stock Options (Right to	\$ 16.427	02/10/2011		M		6,750 (2)	10/11/2005	10/12/2014	Common Stock	6,750				

# **Reporting Owners**

Buy)

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

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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

02/11/2011

\*\*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) The employee stock options were granted on 10/07/2003, under the A. O. Smith Combined Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under rule 16b-3.
- (2) The employee stock options were granted on 10/12/2004, under the A. O. Smith Combined Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under rule 16b-3.

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