

SMITH A O CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
STERN JAMES F

(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)  
10/23/2013

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)  
Exec VP, General Counsel & Sec

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 06/05/2013                           |  | G                              | 400 D \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>   | 66,158 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/20/2013                           |  | G                              | 2,160 D \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>                                       | 63,998  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/30/2013                           |  | G                              | 120 D \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>   | 63,878  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 10/23/2013                           |  | M                              | 36,000 A \$ 13.424  | 99,878  | 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)

| 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)      | \$ 13.424  | 10/23/2013                           |  | M                              | 36,000  | 06/01/2008   | 06/01/2017  | Common Stock | 36,000                     |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 0   |                                      |  |                                |   | (4)  | (4)   | Common Stock | 0                          |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| STERN JAMES F<br>A. O. SMITH CORPORATION<br>11270 WEST PARK PLACE<br>MILWAUKEE, WI 53224 |               |           | Exec VP, General Counsel & Sec |       |

## Signatures

Wendy L. Grant, Attorney-in-Fact for James F. Stern  
10/25/2013

\*\*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) Gift

(2) On May 15, 2013, the common stock of A. O. Smith Corporation split 2-for1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 33,279 additional shares of Common Stock.

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- (3) On May 15, 2013, the common stock of A. O. Smith Corporation split 2-for1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 55,750 additional Employee Stock Options.
- (4) On May 15, 2013, the common stock of A. O. Smith Corporation split 2-for1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 8,700 additional Restricted Stock Units.

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