SMITH A O CORP Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wheeler Kevin J.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SMITH A O CORP [AOS]

(Middle)

02/11/2016

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

A. O. SMITH CORPORATION, 500 TENNESSEE WALTZ PARKWAY

(Street)

(First)

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

X_ Officer (give title) _ Other (specify

Senior VP & President and GM

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

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Issuer

below)

ASHLAND CITY, TN 37015

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiomr Disposed of (D)				5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	(A) or	5) Price	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	02/11/2016		M	2,800 (1)	A	\$ 63.335	6,848	D			
Common Stock	02/12/2016		S	1,011 (2)	D	\$ 65.7478	5,837	D			

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out 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. P Der Sec (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 63.335	02/11/2016		M	2,800	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	2,800	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Wheeler Kevin J. A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 500 TENNESSEE WALTZ PARKWAY ASHLAND CITY, TN 37015

Senior VP & President and GM

Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Kevin J.
Wheeler
02/16/2016

**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).
- 2,800 Restricted Stock Units were granted on 02/11/2013, under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. 2,800 Restricted Stock Units vested on 02/11/2016. As a result of vesting, the Company is obligated to deliver 2,800 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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