

Heideman Robert J  
Form 4  
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# FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Heideman Robert J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

A. O. SMITH CORPORATE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER, 12100  
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)

02/09/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Senior VP, CTO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       | 02/09/2018                              |                                                             | M                                       | (A)<br>or<br>(D)<br>Amount<br>4,630<br>(1)<br>Price<br>\$<br>60.11      | 30,815                                                                                                             | D                                                                    |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 02/09/2018                              |                                                             | F                                       | 2,249<br>D<br>\$<br>60.11                                               | 28,566                                                                                                             | 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                              |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 60.11                                               | 02/09/2018                           |                                                    | M                              | 4,630                                                                                   | (1) (1)                                                  | Common Stock 4,630                                            |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 61.76                                               | 02/12/2018                           |                                                    | A                              | 2,430                                                                                   | (2) (2)                                                  | Common Stock 2,430                                            |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 61.76                                               | 02/12/2018                           |                                                    | A                              | 10,105                                                                                  | (3) 02/12/2028                                           | Common Stock 10,105                                           |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                               | Relationships                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                                                              | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Heideman Robert J<br>A. O. SMITH CORPORATE TECHNOLOGY CENTER<br>12100 WEST PARK PLACE<br>MILWAUKEE, WI 53224 | Senior VP, CTO                   |

## Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert J. Heideman  
02/13/2018  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- \* 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) 4,630 Restricted Stock Units were granted on 02/09/2015, under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. 4,630 Restricted Stock Units vested on 02/09/2018. As a result of vesting, the Company is obligated to deliver 4,630 shares of Common Stock to the reporting person.
- (2) The restricted stock units were granted on 02/12/2018 under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The restricted stock units become payable in Common Stock on the vesting date of 02/12/2021.
- (3) The employee stock options were granted on 02/12/2018 under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The options become exercisable in three annual installments of 1/3 of the award starting on 02/12/2019.

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