

Rajendra Ajita G  
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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 \*  
Rajendra Ajita G

(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)  
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  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman, President & CEO

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	02/08/2018		G		51,441 D \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	285,404	D
Common Stock	02/09/2018		M		29,500 <sup>(2)</sup> A \$ 60.11	314,904	D
Common Stock	02/09/2018		F		13,886 D \$ 60.11	301,018	D
Common Stock						60,333	I Held by Spouse

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 60.11	02/08/2018		M	29,500	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	29,500
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 61.76	02/12/2018		A	18,700	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	18,700
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 61.76	02/12/2018		A	77,740	(4)	02/12/2028	Common Stock	77,740

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rajendra Ajita G A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE MILWAUKEE, WI 53224			Chairman, President & CEO	

## Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Ajita G.  
Rajendra

02/13/2018

\*\*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).

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- 29,500 Restricted Stock Units were granted on 02/09/2015, under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction
- (2) exempt under Rule 16b-3. 29,500 Restricted Stock Units vested on 02/09/2018. As a result of vesting, the Company is obligated to deliver 29,500 shares of Common Stock to the reporting person.
  - (3) 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.
  - (4) 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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