

Karge Douglas Samuel  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Karge Douglas Samuel</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>A. O. SMITH CORPORATION,Â 11270 WEST PARK PLACE</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>MILWAUKEE,Â WIÂ 53224</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>09/01/2018</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>SMITH A O CORP [AOS]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other                  (give title below) (specify below)                  SVP - President NA Water Treat</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable      Expiration Date	Title      Amount or Number of			

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				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	03/19/2028	Common Stock	3,700	\$ 65.085	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	885	\$ 65.085	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Karge Douglas Samuel A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE MILWAUKEE, WI 53224	Â	Â	Â SVP - President NA Water Treat	Â

## Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Douglas Samuel  
Karge 09/04/2018

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 03/19/2018 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 03/19/2019.
- (2) The restricted stock units were granted on 03/19/2018 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 03/19/2021.

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