SMITH A O CORP Form 4

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1(b).

(Last)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MAPES CHRISTOPHER L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

SMITH A O CORP [AOS]

(Check all applicable)

A. O. SMITH ELECTRICAL

PRODUCTS COMPANY, 531 **NORTH 4TH STREET**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/11/2005

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

President A. O. Smith Electric

(Street)

(First)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

TIPP CITY, OH 45371-1899

(State) (Zip) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

4. Securities 3. (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned (Instr. 4) Following

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securitie Acquired or Dispo (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	l (A) sed of	(Month/Day,	/Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
				Code V	7 (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.2	10/11/2005		A	10,000		<u>(1)</u>	10/11/2015	Common Stock	10,000
Phantom Stock	\$ 29.2	10/11/2005		A	8,100		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	8,100

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

MAPES CHRISTOPHER L A. O. SMITH ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS COMPANY 531 NORTH 4TH STREET TIPP CITY, OH 45371-1899

President A. O. Smith Electric

Signatures

W. David Romoser, Attorney-in-Fact for Christopher L. Mapes

10/12/2005

**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).
- The employee stock options were granted on 10/11/2005 under the A. O. Smith Combined Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a (1) transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The options become exercisable in three annual installments of 1/3 of the award starting on 10/10/2006.
- (2) The phantom stock was granted on 10/11/2005 under the A. O. Smith Combined Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The shares of phantom stock become payable in Common Stock on the vesting date of 10/22/2008.

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