SMITH A O CORP Form 8-K October 30, 2018

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 30, 2018

A. O. Smith Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 1-475 (Commission **39-0619790** (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number) 11270 West Park Place, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53224 **Identification No.)**

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(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(414) 359-4000

(Registrant s telephone number)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13-e4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 30, 2018, A. O. Smith Corporation (the Company) issued a news release announcing the Company s results for the quarter ended September 30, 2018. A copy of the Company s news release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K (this Current Report) and is incorporated by reference herein. In addition, the Company will announce its preliminary 2019 Revenue Guidance of 5.5 to 7.0% local currency growth and 4.0 to 5.5% growth in USD and discuss the same, during the Third Quarter 2018 Earnings Conference Call at 10:00 AM EDT.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following exhibit is being filed herewith:

(99.1) News Release of A. O. Smith Corporation, dated October 30, 2018.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

A. O. SMITH CORPORATION

Date: October 30, 2018

By: /s/ James F. Stern James F. Stern Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary