SMITH A O CORP Form 4

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JONES PAUL W

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

CORPORATION, 11270 WEST PARK PLACE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/05/2008

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

Chair, Pres. and CEO

(Street)

(State)

(First)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MILWAUKEE, WI 53224

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities 3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially Owned Following (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

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**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day	/Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.01	11/05/2008		A	41,100	<u>(1)</u>	11/05/2018	Common Stock	41,100

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
JONES PAUL W A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE MILWAUKEE, WI 53224	X		Chair, Pres. and CEO			

Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Paul W.

Jones

**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).
- (1) The employee stock options were granted on 11/05/2008 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 11/5/2009.

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