

SMITH A O CORP  
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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 \*  
BEDNAR RANDALL S

(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)  
10/20/2009

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)  
Senior Vice President - CIO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	10/20/2009		M	19,300	A \$ 15.135	26,216	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009		M	11,200	A \$ 26.88	37,416	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009		M	10,700	A \$ 28.7	48,116	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009		S	11,881	D \$ 43.5	36,235	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009		S	900	D \$ 43.51	35,335	D

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Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	418	D	\$ 43.52	34,917	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	700	D	\$ 43.53	34,217	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	400	D	\$ 43.54	33,817	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	2,305	D	\$ 43.55	31,512	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	2,100	D	\$ 43.56	29,412	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	1,995	D	\$ 43.57	27,417	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	400	D	\$ 43.58	27,017	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	500	D	\$ 43.59	26,517	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	900	D	\$ 43.6	25,617	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	200	D	\$ 43.61	25,417	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	500	D	\$ 43.62	24,917	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	1,894	D	\$ 43.63	23,023	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	600	D	\$ 43.64	22,423	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	500	D	\$ 43.65	21,923	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	400	D	\$ 43.66	21,523	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	300	D	\$ 43.67	21,223	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	300	D	\$ 43.68	20,923	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	272	D	\$ 43.69	20,651	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	400	D	\$ 43.7	20,251	D
Common Stock	10/20/2009	S	300	D	\$ 43.71	19,951	D
	10/20/2009	S	1,000	D	\$ 43.72	18,951	D

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Common Stock							
Common Stock	10/20/2009		S	2,300	D	\$ 43.73	16,651 D
Common Stock	10/20/2009		S	600	D	\$ 43.74	16,051 D
Common Stock	10/20/2009		S	500	D	\$ 43.75	15,551 D
Common Stock	10/20/2009		S	1,100	D	\$ 43.76	14,451 D

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 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 15.135	10/20/2009		M	19,300	10/08/2002 10/09/2011	Common Stock 19,300
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 26.88	10/20/2009		M	11,200	10/10/2003 10/11/2012	Common Stock 11,200
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 28.7	10/20/2009		M	10,700	10/06/2004 10/07/2013	Common Stock 10,700

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BEDNAR RANDALL S A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE MILWAUKEE, WI 53224			Senior Vice President - CIO	

## Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Randall S. Bednar	10/21/2009
__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) Granted on 10/09/2001 under the A. O. Smith Corporation Long-Term Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (2) Granted on 10/11/2002 under the A. O. Smith Combined Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (3) Granted on 10/07/2003 under the A. O. Smith Combined Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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