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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lauber Charles T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

11/02/2017

SMITH A O CORP [AOS]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

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

A. O. SMITH CORPORATION, 11270 WEST PARK PLACE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

SVP, Strategy & Corporate Dev.

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of an Paneficially On

below)

MILWAUKEE, WI 53224

(City)

(,)	()	Table 1 - 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or				Beneficially Form: Owned Direct Following or Indi Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr.	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership cet (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/02/2017		M	4,660	A	\$ 30.765	26,240	D	
Common Stock	11/02/2017		M	2,934	A	\$ 31.67	29,174	D	
Common Stock	11/02/2017		S	7,594	D	\$ 59.8452	21,580	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. Transactic 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)	\$ 30.765	11/02/2017		M	4,660	<u>(1)</u>	02/09/2025	Common Stock	4,660
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.67	11/02/2017		М	2,934	(2)	02/08/2026	Common Stock	2,934

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reposing 6 mer rumer radia out	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Lauber Charles T A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE MILWAUKEE, WI 53224			SVP, Strategy & Corporate Dev.				

Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Charles T.

Lauber

**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 02/09/2015 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 02/09/2016.

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(2) The employee stock options were granted on 02/08/2016 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 02/08/2017.

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