KITA JOHN J Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

SMITH A O CORP [AOS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

02/07/2011

(Print or Type Responses)

Common

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KITA JOHN J

(First) (Middle) (Last)

A. O. SMITH CORPORATION, 11270 WEST PARK PLACE

(Street)

MILWAUKEE, WI 53224

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

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

below)

Senior V.P., Corp. Fin. & Cont

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

Issuer

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

Symbol

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

D

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

 $13,825 \frac{(1)}{2}$

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)

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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 on 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)	\$ 43.115	02/07/2011		A	4,100	<u>(2)</u>	02/07/2021	Common Stock	4,100
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 43.115	02/07/2011		A	1,600	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,600

Reporting Owners

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

KITA JOHN J A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE MILWAUKEE, WI 53224

Senior V.P., Corp. Fin. & Cont

Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for John
J. Kita
02/08/2011

**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) On November 15, 2010, the common stock of A. O. Smith Corporation split 3-for-2, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 4,608 additional shares of common stock.
- (2) The employee stock options were granted on 02/07/2011 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 02/07/2012.
- (3) On November 15, 2010, the common stock of A. O. Smith Corporation split 3-for-2, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 21,000 additional employee stock options.
- (4) The restricted stock units were granted on 02/07/2011 under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The restricted stock units become payable in Common Stock on the vesting date of 02/07/2014.

Reporting Owners 2

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On November 15, 2010, the common stock of A. O. Smith Corporation split 3-for-2, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 3,050 additional restricted stock units.

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