

MURPHY TERRY M  
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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 \*  
MURPHY TERRY M

(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)  
02/10/2011

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)  
Executive Vice President & CFO

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code V	Amount		
Common Stock	02/10/2011		M	27,000	A \$ 24.02	58,217	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	100	D \$ 41.61	58,117	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	100	D \$ 41.63	58,017	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	100	D \$ 41.64	57,917	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	400	D \$ 41.65	57,517	D

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Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	600	D	\$ 41.66	56,917	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	400	D	\$ 41.67	56,517	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	700	D	\$ 41.68	55,817	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	300	D	\$ 41.69	55,517	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	700	D	\$ 41.7	54,817	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	500	D	\$ 41.71	54,317	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	200	D	\$ 41.72	54,117	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	500	D	\$ 41.74	53,617	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	300	D	\$ 41.75	53,317	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	200	D	\$ 41.76	53,117	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	1,000	D	\$ 41.77	52,117	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	300	D	\$ 41.78	51,817	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	100	D	\$ 41.79	51,717	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	500	D	\$ 41.8	51,217	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	853	D	\$ 41.81	50,364	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	600	D	\$ 41.83	49,764	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	100	D	\$ 41.84	49,664	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	300	D	\$ 41.85	49,364	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	400	D	\$ 41.86	48,964	D
Common Stock	02/10/2011	S	200	D	\$ 41.88	48,764	D
	02/10/2011	S	100	D		48,664	D

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Common Stock					\$				41.89
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	500	D	\$ 41.9	48,164		D
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	500	D	\$ 41.91	47,664		D
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	500	D	\$ 41.92	47,164		D
Common Stock	02/10/2011		S	100	D	\$ 41.93	47,064		D

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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)	\$ 24.02	02/10/2011		M	27,000	<u>(1)</u> 01/03/2016	Common Stock 27,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MURPHY TERRY M A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE MILWAUKEE, WI 53224			Executive Vice President & CFO	

## Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Terry M.  
Murphy

02/11/2011

\_\_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).

The employee stock options were granted on 01/03/2006 under the A. O. Smith Combined Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, a (1) transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The options became exercisable in three annual installments of 1/3 of the award starting on 01/03/2007.

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