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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BROUWER WILFRIDUS M**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

SMITH A O CORP [AOS] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2017

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify

10% Owner

A. O. SMITH HOLDINGS (BARBADOS) SRL, 8/F AIA KOWLOON TOWER, 100 HOW MING ST.

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

President - AOSHBSRL

Applicable Line)

Director

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

KOWLOON CITY, K3

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	ionof Se A (A Di (C (Ir	ecuritie cquirec A) or visposec	ative es d	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	I	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 50.16	02/13/2017		A	7	7,085		<u>(1)</u>	02/13/2027	Common Stock	7,085
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 50.16	02/13/2017		A	1	,840		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,840

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner reducess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BROUWER WILFRIDUS M							
A. O. SMITH HOLDINGS (BARBADOS) SRL			President -				
8/F AIA KOWLOON TOWER, 100 HOW MING ST.			AOSHBSRL				
KOWLOON CITY, K3							

Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Wilfridus M.
Brouwer

02/15/2017

**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 02/13/2017 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 02/13/2018.
- (2) The restricted stock units were granted on 02/13/2017 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 02/13/2020.

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