

SMITH A O CORP
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FORM 4

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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 *
GREUBEL WILLIAM P

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2460 CAT TAIL POND ROAD
 (Street)

SEABROOK ISLAND, SC 29455
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SMITH A O CORP [AOS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
07/14/2008

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)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
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Derivative Security			Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
								Exercisable	Date			
Phantom Stock Award ⁽¹⁾	\$ 33.12	07/14/2008		A		680		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	680	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GREUBEL WILLIAM P 2460 CAT TAIL POND ROAD SEABROOK ISLAND, SC 29455			X	

Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for William P. Greubel	07/16/2008
<u> </u> 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) Payment of portion of retainer in Phantom Stock under the A. O. Smith Corporation Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan based on the market price of the Common Stock on July 14, 2008.
- (2) The Plan permits the participant to defer the receipt of the award, and Mr. Greubel has made a deferral.

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