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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Martineau Peter R Issuer Symbol SMITH A O CORP [AOS] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title A. O. SMITH CORPORATION, 500 10/31/2017 below)

TENNESSEE WALTZ PARKWAY

(Street)

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

Senior Vice President - CIO 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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ASHLAND CITY, TN 37015

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit ord Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (4 and 5 (A) or	` ′	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)
Common Stock	10/31/2017		M	4,400	(D)	\$ 11.493	17,528	D	
Common Stock	10/31/2017		M	6,800	A	\$ 17.462	24,328	D	
Common Stock	10/31/2017		M	5,140	A	\$ 23.235	29,468	D	
Common Stock	10/31/2017		M	3,493	A	\$ 30.765	32,961	D	
Common Stock	10/31/2017		M	2,434	A	\$ 31.67	35,395	D	

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Common 22,267 D \$ 13,128 S 10/31/2017 D Stock

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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	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)	\$ 11.493	10/31/2017		M	4,400	<u>(1)</u>	02/13/2022	Common Stock	4,400
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.462	10/31/2017		M	6,800	(2)	02/11/2023	Common Stock	6,800
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.235	10/31/2017		M	5,140	(3)	02/10/2024	Common Stock	5,140
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.765	10/31/2017		M	3,493	<u>(4)</u>	02/09/2025	Common Stock	3,493
Employee Stock Options (Right to	\$ 31.67	10/31/2017		M	2,434	<u>(5)</u>	02/08/2026	Common Stock	2,434

Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Martineau Peter R A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 500 TENNESSEE WALTZ PARKWAY ASHLAND CITY, TN 37015

Senior Vice President - CIO

Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Peter R. Martineau

11/01/2017

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 02/13/2012 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 02/13/2013.
- (2) The employee stock options were granted on 02/11/2013 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 02/11/2014.
- (3) The employee stock options were granted on 02/10/2014 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 02/10/2015.
- (4) 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.
- (5) 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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