

SMITH A O CORP
Form 8-K
December 22, 2005

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 16, 2005

A. O. Smith Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-475
(Commission File Number)

39-0619790
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

P.O. Box 245008, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53224-9508

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

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(414) 359-4000

(Registrant's telephone number)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On November 16, 2005, the Company announced that Terry M. Murphy will join A. O. Smith Corporation as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer effective January 1, 2006. A copy of the Company's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein. On December 16, 2005, the Company's Board of Directors elected Mr. Murphy to these offices effective January 1, 2006.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following exhibit is being filed herewith:

99.1 A. O. Smith Corporation News Release dated November 16, 2005.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

A. O. SMITH CORPORATION

Date: December 22, 2005

By: W. David Romoser

W. David Romoser

Vice President, General Counsel

and Secretary

A. O. SMITH CORPORATION

Exhibit Index to Current Report on Form 8-K Dated December 22, 2005.

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	News Release of A. O. Smith Corporation, dated November 16, 2005