

SMITH A O CORP  
Form 425  
December 10, 2008

**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 10, 2008

**A. O. Smith Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-475**  
(Commission

**39-0619790**  
(IRS Employer

File Number)  
**11270 West Park Place, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53224-9502**

Identification No.)

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

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(414) 359-4000

(Registrant's telephone number)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01. Other Events**

To the extent that any information included in this Current Report on Form 8-K (this Current Report ) is required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act, such information is deemed to be filed pursuant to Rule 425.

On December 10, 2008, A. O. Smith Corporation ( the Company ) issued a news release announcing the Company s revised earnings forecast. A copy of the Company s news release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated by reference herein. Copies of slides to be used in conjunction with the conference call at 11:00 A.M. ET on Wednesday, December 10, 2008, are attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report and are incorporated by reference herein. The call can be heard on the Company s website, [www.aosmith.com](http://www.aosmith.com).

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

The following exhibits are being filed herewith:

(99.1) News Release of A. O. Smith Corporation, dated December 10, 2008.

(99.2) Slides of A. O. Smith Corporation to be used in conjunction with conference call, dated December 10, 2008.

**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 10, 2008

By: /s/ James F. Stern  
James F. Stern

Executive Vice President,

General Counsel and Secretary

**A. O. SMITH CORPORATION**

Exhibit Index to Current Report on Form 8-K Dated December 10, 2008

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