

SMITH A O CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 17, 2006

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## FORM 8-K

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### CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 17, 2006

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## 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)

**(414) 359-4000**

(Registrant's telephone number)

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 17, 2006, A. O. Smith Corporation ( the Company ) issued a news release announcing the Company s third quarter earnings. A copy of the Company s news release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K (this Current Report ) and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following exhibit is being filed herewith:

(99.1) News Release of A. O. Smith Corporation, dated October 17, 2006.

**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: October 17, 2006

By: /s/ Terry M. Murphy  
Terry M. Murphy

Executive Vice President

and Chief Financial Officer

**A. O. SMITH CORPORATION**

Exhibit Index to Current Report on Form 8-K Dated October 17, 2006.

| <b>Exhibit<br/>Number</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
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