FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Smith Mark Peter						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH & WESSON HOLDING CORP [SWHC]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2100 ROOSEVELT AVENUE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/04/2012								X Officer (give title Other (specify below) See remarks.				
(Street) SPRINGFIELD MA 01104 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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Date				Transaction te onth/Day/Y	Execution Dat			3. Transacti Code (Ins	on Dis				Benefic Owned	es ially Following	Form (D) or	i. Ownership Form: Direct D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code V	An	nount	(A) or (D)	(A) or (D) Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		[(Instr. 4)
			Fable II - Der (e.g					uired, Dis , options,					Owned			,	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea	Code (Ins				6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expira Date	ation	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$4.54	01/04/2012		A		25,000		(1)	01/04	1/2022	Common Stock	25,000	\$0.00	25,00	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. One-third of the total number of options granted shall vest and become exercisable on each of the first, second, and third anniversary of the date of grant.

The reporting person is the VP Manufacturing and Supply Chain Management.

Deana L. McPherson, as attorney-in-fact

01/04/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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