

OFFICE DEPOT INC  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Smith Jeffrey C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
OFFICE DEPOT INC [ODP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/08/2014

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

C/O STARBOARD VALUE LP, 830  
THIRD AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)                        |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,403,200   | I  | By Starboard Value and Opportunity C LP <sup>(1)</sup>            |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 13,122,735  | I  | By Starboard Value and Opportunity Master Fund Ltd <sup>(2)</sup> |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,925,281   | I  | By Starboard Value and Opportunity                                |

|              |                       |   |  |
|--------------|-----------------------|---|--|
| Common Stock | 28,872,697            | I | S LLC <sup>(3)</sup><br>By Managed Accounts of Starboard Value LP <sup>(4)</sup> |
| Common Stock | 21,084 <sup>(5)</sup> | D |  |

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

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |        |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|--------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                         |        |
| Restricted Stock Unit                      | <u>(6)</u>   | 05/08/2014                           |  | A                              | 24,752  | <u>(6)</u>   | <u>(6)</u>  | Common Stock                  | 24,752 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Smith Jeffrey C<br>C/O STARBOARD VALUE LP<br>830 THIRD AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022 | X             | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey C. Smith  
05/12/2014

         \*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
Date

## 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) Shares owned directly by Starboard Value and Opportunity C LP ("Starboard C LP"). The Reporting Person, solely by virtue of his position as a member of the Management Committee of Starboard Value GP LLC ("Starboard Value GP"), the general partner of the investment manager of Starboard C LP, and as a member and member of the Management Committee of Starboard Principal Co GP LLC ("Principal GP"), the general partner of the member of Starboard Value GP, may be deemed to beneficially own the shares owned directly by Starboard C LP for purposes of Section 16. The Reporting Person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(2) Shares owned directly by Starboard Value and Opportunity Master Fund Ltd ("Starboard V&O Fund"). The Reporting Person, solely by virtue of his position as a member of the Management Committee of Starboard Value GP, the general partner of the investment manager of Starboard V&O Fund, and as a member and member of the Management Committee of Principal GP, the general partner of the member of Starboard Value GP, may be deemed to beneficially own the shares owned directly by Starboard V&O Fund for purposes of Section 16. The Reporting Person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(3) Shares owned directly by Starboard Value and Opportunity S LLC ("Starboard S LLC"). The Reporting Person, solely by virtue of his position as a member of the Management Committee of Starboard Value GP, the general partner of the manager of Starboard S LLC, and as a member and member of the Management Committee of Principal GP, the general partner of the member of Starboard Value GP, may be deemed to beneficially own the shares owned directly by Starboard S LLC for purposes of Section 16. The Reporting Person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(4) Shares held in certain accounts managed by Starboard Value LP (the "Managed Accounts"). The Reporting Person, solely by virtue of his position as a member of the Management Committee of Starboard Value GP, the general partner of Starboard Value LP, and as a member and member of the Management Committee of Principal GP, the general partner of the member of Starboard Value GP, may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held in the Managed Accounts for purposes of Section 16. The Reporting Person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(5) Represents the number of shares of the Issuer's Common Stock issued to the Reporting Person as compensation for service on the Issuer's Board of Directors, of which 25% vested immediately on the grant date and 75% vested in full upon the closing of the Issuer's merger with OfficeMax Incorporated.

(6) Restricted stock units ("RSUs") granted to the Reporting Person as compensation for service on the Issuer's Board of Directors (the "Board"). Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock of the Issuer. Each RSU fully vests on the Grant Date. Vested shares will be distributed to the Reporting Person 6 months following the termination of the Reporting Person's service on the Board.

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