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## A's Acquire Outfielder Seth Smith From Colorado in Exchange for Starting Pitchers Guillermo Moscoso, Josh Outman

**OAKLAND**, **Calif.** – The Oakland Athletics today acquired outfielder Seth Smith from the Colorado Rockies in exchange for starting pitchers Guillermo Moscoso and Josh Outman.

Smith, 29, has batted .275 with 78 doubles, 19 triples, 51 home runs and 181 RBI in 487 games in playing parts of five seasons with the Rockies. The 6-3, 210-pound left-handed hitter registered a .284 (135-for-476) batting average in 2011, lashing out 32 doubles, nine triples, 15 home runs and 59 RBI while stealing 10 bases in 147 games. A native of Jackson, Miss., he hit .300 or better in the months of April (.306), May (.303), June (.308) and August (.306) last season.

Selected in the second round of the 2004 amateur draft by Colorado, Smith has averaged 15.7 home runs and 55.3 RBI in 137.7 games over the past three years. This past season, he batted .299 (115-for-384) with 29 doubles, eight triples, 14 home runs, 47 RBI, a .365 on-base percentage and .526 slugging percentage against right-handed pitchers, compared to .217 (20-for-92) with three doubles, one triple, one homer, 12 RBI, .272 OBP and .304 slugging percentage versus left-handers.

Smith, who attended the University of Mississippi, is a career .336 pinch-hitter, collecting 11 doubles, five triples, five home runs and 34 RBI in 167 Major League at-bats. He was a member of the USA National Team that won the silver medal at the 2003 Pan American Games. He hit .322 with four homers and nine RBI for the U.S. Team.

Moscoso, 28, posted an 8-10 record and 3.38 ERA in 23 games, 21 starts, for Oakland last season. It was his first year with the A's, after posting a 4.30 ERA in 11 relief appearances with Texas over the previous two seasons. Acquired from the Rangers Jan. 8, 2011 for minor leaguer Ryan Kelly, the rookie right-hander began last season at Triple-A Sacramento but ended up finishing fourth on the Oakland staff with 21 starts.

He ranked second among American League rookies in ERA and third in opponents batting average (.212). Moscoso also ranked fifth among AL rookies in wins, sixth in games started and innings pitched (128.0), and tied for eighth in strikeouts (74). The Maracay, Venezuela native registered a 3-4 record and 2.16 ERA in 10 games (8 starts) before the All-Star Break and went 5-6 with a 4.15 ERA following the break. He also set an Oakland record by retiring 30 consecutive batters from Sept. 2-7. Prior to his season in Oakland, he made his Major League debut with 10 games with Texas in 2009 and then pitched once in 2010. In the minor leagues, he fashioned a 44-28 mark and 3.19 ERA (238 er, 671.2 ip) in 141 career appearances, including 102 starts and 679 strikeouts in 671.1 innings.

Outman, 27, returned to action in 2011 after missing the entire 2010 season following "Tommy John" surgery in June 2009. He recorded a 3-5 mark and 3.70 ERA in 13 games, nine starts, over two stints with the A's in 2011, and is now 8-8 with a 3.75 ERA in 33 career appearances, including 25 starts, over three seasons. The left-hander was originally chosen by Philadelphia in the 10th round of the 2005 draft and was acquired by Oakland in the Joe Blanton trade in July of 2008. He also owns a 43-21 record and 3.13 ERA in 124 career minor league appearances, including 84 starts.

The 2011 and career statistics for the three players involved in today's trade follow:

SMITH COLORADO	.284	14	<b>G</b> 47	<b>AB</b> 476	<b>R</b> 67	H 135	<b>2B</b> 32	<b>3B</b>	15	<b>RBI</b> 59	<b>BB</b> 46	<b>SO</b> 93	<b>SB</b> 10	<b>cs</b> 2	<b>SLG</b> .483	OBP .347
MLB CAREER	.275	48	37	1285	200	354	78	19	51	181	142	251	17	4	.485	.348
MOSCOSO		W	L	ERA	G	GS	C	3	SHO	sv	ΙP	н	R	ER	ВВ	so
OAKLAND		8	10	3.38	23	21		0	0	0	128.0	102	59	48	38	74
Sacramento (AAA)	)	3	3	3.88	9	8		0	0	0	46.1	41	22	20	16	52
MLB CAREER		8	10	3.47	34	21	(	0	0	0	142.2	119	68	55	46	88
OUTMAN		w	L	ERA	G	GS	C	3	SHO	sv	ΙP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	so
OAKLAND		3	5	3.70	13	9		0	0	0	58.1	62	27	24	23	35
Sacramento (AAA)	)	8	3	3.91	17	17	(	0	0	0	78.1	77	47	34	47	72
MLB CAREER	,	8	8	3.75	33	25		0	0	0	151.1	149	71	63	56	107

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