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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

(Time of Type	responses)						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BERDING JOHN B			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC [AFG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 301 EAST STREET.	(First) FOURTH 27TH FLOOR	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/31/2013	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
CINCINN	(Street) ATI, OH 4520	2	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of	2. Transaction	Date 2A. Deen	ned 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A	A) 5. Amount of 6. 7. Natur			

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit ord Dispos (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of		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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	10/31/2013		M	34,082	A	\$ 23.8933	121,454	D			
Common Stock	10/31/2013		S	34,082	D	\$ 56.722 (1)	87,372	D			
Common Stock							233	I	By Trust		
Common Stock							2,451 <u>(2)</u>	I	ESPP		
Common Stock							1,166.24 (3)	I	401(k)		

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Nı	umber of	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and A	Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orDerivative		Expiration Date		Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acqu	uired (A)				
	Derivative				or D	isposed of				
	Security				(D)					
					(Inst	r. 3, 4,				
					and 5	5)				
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code v	(A)	(D)				of Shares
Stock										
Option Exercise	\$ 26.8933	10/13/2013		M		34,082	<u>(4)</u>	02/22/2016	Common	34,082

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BERDING JOHN B 301 EAST FOURTH STREET 27TH FLOOR CINCINNATI, OH 45202	X						

Signatures

John B. Berding By: Karl J. Grafe, as Attorney-in-Fact

**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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$56.45 to \$56.64, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to American Financial Group, Inc., ("AFG"), any security holder of AFG, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (1).
- (2) Shares allocated to the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP"). All ESPP information reported herein is based on a plan statement dated as of 12/31/2012.

(3)

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Represents shares held in the Issuer's 401(k) Retirement and Savings Plan. The number of shares of Common Stock is based on a Plan Statement dated as of 12/31/2012.

(4) These Employee Stock Options become exercisable in five qual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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