

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Squeri Stephen J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3 WORLD FINANCIAL  
CENTER, 200 VESEY ST,  
AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10285

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]

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

11/13/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
EVP, Chief Information Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/13/2006		M			10,452	A	\$ 25.649	66,928	D	
Common Stock	11/13/2006		M			27,367	A	\$ 25.649	94,295	D	
Common Stock	11/13/2006		M			8,477	A	\$ 37.132	102,772	D	
Common Stock	11/13/2006		M			5,951	A	\$ 46.888	108,723	D	
Common Stock	11/13/2006		M			787	A	\$ 46.888	109,510	D	

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Common Stock	11/13/2006	M	18,828	A	\$ 44.7	128,338	D	
Common Stock	11/13/2006	F	56,787	D	\$ 58.945	71,551	D	
Common Stock						4,393	I	401(k) Trust <sup>(1)</sup>

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.649	11/13/2006		M	10,452 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/23/2000 02/22/2008	Common Stock	10,452	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.649	11/13/2006		M	27,367 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/23/2003 02/22/2008	Common Stock	27,367	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.132	11/13/2006		M	8,477	12/26/2003 02/23/2007	Common Stock	8,477	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.888	11/13/2006		M	2,297	08/19/2004 07/27/2007	Common Stock	2,297	

Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.888	11/13/2006	M	5,951	08/19/2004	02/22/2008	Common Stock	5,951
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.888	11/13/2006	M	787	08/19/2004	02/23/2007	Common Stock	787
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 44.7	11/13/2006	M	18,828	03/29/2005	02/22/2008	Common Stock	18,828

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Squeri Stephen J 3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER 200 VESEY ST, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER NEW YORK, NY 10285			EVP, Chief Information Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Stephen P. Norman, 11/15/2006  
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).
- (1) Shares held in reporting person's account under the Company's Incentive Savings Plan. This plan uses unit accounting, and the number of shares that a participant is deemed to hold varies with the unit price of the Company pooled stock fund.
- (2) 4,168 of these options became exercisable on 2/23/2000; the balance became exercisable on 2/23/2001.
- (3) 9,545 of these options became exercisable on 2/23/2003; the balance became exercisable on 2/23/2004.

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