

AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
 LINDNER CARL H

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) (First) (Middle)
 ONE EAST FOURTH STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/08/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chairman of the Board

CINCINNATI, OH 45202
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock					0	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2005		P		35,000	A	\$ 30.56
Common Stock	03/08/2005		P		2,200	A	\$ 30.48
Common Stock	03/08/2005		P		3,100	A	\$ 30.5
Common Stock					511,108	I	

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(3) #3: By Lou Ann Flint, Trustee of the Edyth B. Lindner 2002-2 Qualified Annuity Trust U/A dated 8/19/02.

(4) #7: EBL, Trustee of the Edyth B. Lindner Family Trust dtd 4/13/04

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