#### AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

Form 4

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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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*See* Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHICK THOMAS A			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)			AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER, 200 VESEY ST, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER			(Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2014	Director 10% Owner Step Other (give title below) Other (specify below) EVP-Corp. Affairs		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		

NEW YORK, NY 10285

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially							
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. Securitie orDisposed o (Instr. 3, 4	f (D)	uired (A) or Price	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	02/28/2014		M	115,000	A	\$ 57.77	152,954.537	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2014		M	115,000	A	\$ 49.13	267,954.537	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2014		S <u>(1)</u>	208,840	D	\$ 91.2637 (2)	59,114.537	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2014		S(3)	21,160	D	\$ 91.0772 (4)	37,954.537	D	

Common Stock

1,115

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By 401(k) Plan

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 57.77	02/28/2014		M	115,000	01/25/2008(6)	01/24/2017	Common Stock	115
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$ 49.13	02/28/2014		M	115,000	01/31/2009(6)	01/30/2018	Common Stock	115

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHICK THOMAS A
3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER
200 VESEY ST, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER
NEW YORK, NY 10285

EVP-Corp. Affairs

**Signatures** 

Buy)

/s/ Michael G. Kuchs, attorney-in-fact 02/28/2014

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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### **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 reported disposition represents the sale of shares to cover the cost of exercise and withholding tax obligations arising from the stock option exercise reported above and the sale of 50% of the net shares acquired from this exercise; the reporting person will retain the balance of the net shares in accordance with the Company's retention guidelines for executive officers.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$91.01 to \$91.64. The reporting person undertakes to provide to American Express Company, any security holder of American Express Company, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within this range.
- (3) The reported disposition represents the sale of shares acquired from previous restricted stock vestings, stock option exercises and/or dividend reinvestment.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$91.02 to \$91.18. The reporting person undertakes to provide to American Express Company, any security holder of American Express Company, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within this range.
- (5) Shares held in reporting person's account under the Company's Retirement 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.
- (6) These options became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on date shown as "Date Exercisable."

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