AMERICAN EXPRESS CO Form 8-K July 28, 2016

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 28, 2016

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York 1-7657 13-4922250 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 Vesey Street
New York, New York
10285
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 640-2000

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events

On July 28, 2016, American Express Company (the "Company) announced that it has issued a notice of redemption for all of its 6.80% Subordinated Debentures, at a redemption price equal to 100% of their principal amount. The redemption date will be September 1, 2016.

A copy of the press release announcing the redemption is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are filed herewith:

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press release of American Express Company, dated July 28, 2016.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY (REGISTRANT)

By:/s/ Carol V. Schwartz Name: Carol V. Schwartz

Title: Secretary

Dated: July 28, 2016

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