AMERICAN EXPRESS CO Form 8-K September 25, 2018

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): September 24, 2018

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York1-765713-4922250(State or other jurisdiction<br/>of incorporation or organization)(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer<br/>Identification No.)

200 Vesey StreetNew York, New York10285(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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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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## Item 8.01 Other Events

On September 25, 2018, American Express Company issued a press release announcing an increase in the quarterly dividend on its common shares to \$0.39 per common share, from \$0.35 per common share. Such press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release of American Express Company, dated September 25, 2018, announcing an increase in the quarterly dividend on its common shares.

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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/ Tangela S. Richter Name: Tangela S. Richter Title: Corporate Secretary

Date: September 25, 2018

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