

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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### ISSUER

#### **AMERICAN EXPRESS CO**

CIK: **4962** | IRS No.: **134922250** | State of Incorpor.: **NY** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**  
SIC: **6199** Finance services

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### REPORTING OWNER

#### **Linville Judson C**

CIK: **1405459**  
Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **001-07657** | Film No.: **071284849**

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <b>Linville Judson C</b>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]</b>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>CEO, U.S. Consumer Division</b>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>11/30/2007</b>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER, 200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) <b>NEW YORK, NY</b>								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	11/30/2007		M		221	A	\$25.649	44,987	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2007		M		24,048	A	\$46.564	69,035	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2007		S		22,721	D	\$58.9	46,314	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2007		S		99	D	\$58.56	46,215	D	
Common Stock								2,811	I	by spouse as custodian for children
Common Stock								27.1 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	by 401(k) Trust

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$25.649	11/30/2007		<u>M</u>			221	02/23/2004	02/22/2008	Common Stock	221	\$ 0	0	D
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$46.564	11/30/2007		<u>M</u>			24,048	09/05/2004	02/22/2008	Common Stock	24,048	\$ 0	0	D

**Explanation of Responses:**

- 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.

**Signatures**

/s/ Stephen P. Norman, attorney-in-fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

12/04/2007

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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