AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PARENT LOUISE M		ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)			
3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER, 200 VESEY ST, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER		T,	(Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2006	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, General Counsel			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
NEW YORK, NY 10285			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non	ı-De	rivative S	ecurit	ies Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	TransactionA Code D		nAcquired Disposed	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/14/2006		G	V	410	D	\$0	270,115	D	
Common Stock	12/14/2006		G	V	164	D	\$0	269,951	D	
Common Stock	12/14/2006		G	V	820	D	\$0	269,131 (1)	D	
Common Stock								63	I	By Isp Trust

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amour		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Montal Day) Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Underl Securit	ying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PARENT LOUISE M 3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER 200 VESEY ST, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER NEW YORK, NY 10285

EVP, General Counsel

Signatures

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

12/19/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- (1) Includes shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Company's Shareholder Stock Purchase Plan and a broker-administered dividend reinvestment plan.

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