AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

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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**

obligations may continue. See Instruction

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(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEAVITT MICHAEL O

Symbol

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

Number:

Expires:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

(Last)

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]

(Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2016

(Check all applicable)

Officer (give title below)

X Director

10% Owner Other (specify

OMB APPROVAL

3235-0287

January 31,

2005

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C/O AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY, 200 VESEY STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Code

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

(State) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)							
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Share Equivalent Units	<u>(1)</u>	05/02/2016		A(2)		2,579.737		<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	2,579.7

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director $\frac{10\%}{\text{Owner}}$ Officer Other

LEAVITT MICHAEL O C/O AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY 200 VESEY STREET NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001



Signatures

/s/ Emily T. Epstein, attorney-in-fact

05/04/2016

**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) The Share Equivalent Units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The reported Share Equivalent Units were awarded pursuant to the Company's 2003 Share Equivalent Unit Plan for Directors and will be settled in cash following termination of service as a Director.
- (3) The Share Equivalent Units are convertible immediately and have no expiration date.
- (4) Includes Share Equivalent Units acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan and/or the 2003 Share Equivalent Unit Plan for Directors.

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