AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Gupta Ashwini Issuer Symbol AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify 200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN 10/21/2016 below) **EXPRESS TOWER** Pres, Crdt Risk/Glbl Info Mgt (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities our Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	d of (Ľ))	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)
Common Stock	10/21/2016		M	100,000	A	\$ 57.77	239,718	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2016		M	50,000	A	\$ 57.77	289,718	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2016		S(1)	140,808	D	\$ 67.18	148,910	D	

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

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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 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 or 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 Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 57.77	10/21/2016		M		100,000	01/25/2008(3)	01/24/2017	Common Stock	100
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 57.77	10/21/2016		M		50,000	01/25/2010	01/24/2017	Common Stock	50

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Pres, Crdt Risk/Glbl Info

Gupta Ashwini

200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER

Mgt

NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

Signatures

/s/ Carol V. Schwartz, attorney-in-fact

**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 reported disposition represents the sale of shares to cover the cost of exercise and withholding tax obligations arising from the stock option exercises reported above.
- (2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$67.09 to \$67.36. The reporting person undertakes to provide to American Express Company, any security holder of American Express Company, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at

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each separate price within this range.

(3) These shares become exercisable in four annual installments beginning on date shown as "Date Exercisable."

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