AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GILLIGAN EDWARD P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
3 WORLD FIN CENTER, 200 AMERICAN I	VESEY ST		(Month/Day/Year) 11/17/2006	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) below) Member, Global Leadership Team		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X. Form filed by One Reporting Person		

NEW YORK, NY 10285

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acquii	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. Securitie omr Dispose (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	11/17/2006		M	34,272	A	\$ 38.224	236,447	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006		M	171,360	A	\$ 38.224	407,807	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006		M	19,529	A	\$ 35.977	427,336	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006		M	25,608	A	\$ 39.833	452,944	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006		M	19,102	A	\$ 39.833	472,046	D	

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Common Stock	11/17/2006	F	165,670	D	\$ 59.67	306,376	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	7,900	D	\$ 59.61	298,476	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 59.62	297,376	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	2,100	D	\$ 59.63	295,276	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 59.64	294,176	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	28,815	D	\$ 59.65	265,361	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	10,361	D	\$ 59.66	255,000	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	2,800	D	\$ 59.67	252,200	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	12,125	D	\$ 59.68	240,075	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	400	D	\$ 59.69	239,675	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	2,800	D	\$ 59.7	236,875	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	900	D	\$ 59.71	235,975	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2006	S	4,900	D	\$ 59.72	231,075	D	
Common Stock						1,444	I	By Isp Trust (2)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amou
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securi
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or		
	Derivative				Disposed of (D)		
	Security				(Instr. 3, 4, and		
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			Code V (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.224	11/17/2006	M	34,272	02/28/2004(1)	02/27/2010	Common Stock	34
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.224	11/17/2006	M	171,360	02/28/2002(1)	02/27/2010	Common Stock	171
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.977	11/17/2006	M	19,529	11/01/2002	02/23/2007	Common Stock	19
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 39.833	11/17/2006	M	25,608	03/04/2004	02/22/2008	Common Stock	25
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 39.833	11/17/2006	M	19,102	03/04/2004	02/23/2007	Common Stock	19

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

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Member, Global Leadership Team

Signatures

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

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) These options vested in three equal annual installments beginning on the date shown as "Date Exercisable."
- Shares held in reporting person's account under the Company's Incentive 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.

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