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1(b). (Print or Type	Responses)										
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1. Name and SCHICK	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer						
(Last)	(First)		AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXF 3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check	e)			
(1				Day/Year) 2010	ransaction		Director 10% Owner XOfficer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP-Corp. Affairs				
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Filed(Month/Day/Year)					-	al	6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by C				
NEW YOI	RK, NY 10285						Form filed by M Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-I	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed of	. or Beneficia	llv Owned		
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Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.1	01/26/2010		А		48,556		01/26/2011 <u>(1)</u>	01/26/2020	Common Stock	48,5
Repor	ting Ow	ners									
	Reporting Own	Relationships									
				Director	rector 10% C		Offic	cer Other			
SCHICK THOMAS A 3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER 200 VESEY ST, AMERICAN EXPRESS NEW YORK, NY 10285			S TOWER				EV	P-Corp. Affairs			
Signat	ures										
	/s/ Michael G. Kuchs, attorney-in-fact			0							
<u>**</u> Signat	ure of Reporting P	erson	Date								
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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) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on date shown as "Date Exercisable."

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