POPOFF FRANK P Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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 may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * POPOFF FRANK P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]

(Check all applicable)

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3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

06/30/2009

Director 10% Owner __X__ Other (specify Officer (give title

200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN

EXPRESS TOWER

below) below)

Advisor to the Board

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(Zip)

(Middle)

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

Person

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

NEW YORK, NY 10285

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

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

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion

or Exercise

Security

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

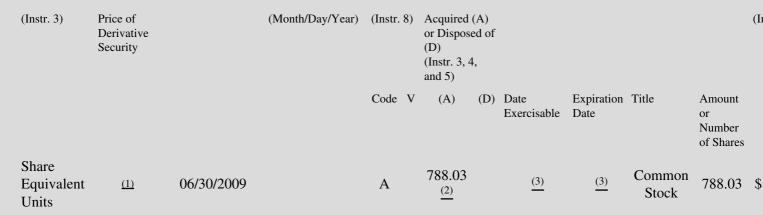
4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Securities Code

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. **Underlying Securities** D (Instr. 3 and 4) Se

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

POPOFF FRANK P 200 VESEY STREET AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER NEW YORK, NY 10285

Advisor to the

Board

Signatures

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

07/02/2009

**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 acquired pursuant to the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan 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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