## TOWER AUTOMOTIVE INC Form SC 13G February 07, 2002

February 1, 2002

Anthony A Barone Tower Automotive Inc. 5211 Cascade Road SE, Suite 300 Grand Rapids, MI 49546

RE: Amended Schedule 13G

Enclosed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is a report on Schedule 13G reporting beneficial ownership at December 31, 2001 by American Express Financial Corporation in Common Stock of Tower Automotive Inc.

Sincerely,

/s/ Steve Turbenson

Steve Turbenson Director - Fund Administration

Enclosure

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

Tower Automotive Inc.
----(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

	(Title o	of Class of Securities)		
		891707101		
(CUSIP Number)				
to war for othe	hich the form provides a cros the purpose of Section 18 of	remainder of this cover page (except any items ss-reference) shall not be deemed to be "filed" the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or ties of that section of the Act but shall be of the Act.		
	CI	USIP NO. 891707101		
		7511 NO. 071707101		
1)	Name of Reporting Person	American Express Financial Corporation		
	S.S. or I.R.S. Identification No. of Above Person	on IRS No. 13-3180631		
2)	Check the Appropriate Box	(a)		
	if a Member of a Group	(b) X - Joint Filing		
3)	SEC Use Only			
4)	Citizenship or Place of Organization Delaware			
	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH (5) Sole Voting Power $-0-$			
	(6) Shared Voting Power	537,000		
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power	-0- 		

	(8) Shared Dispositive Power	2,535,588	
9)	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person	2,535,588	
10)	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares	Not Applicable	
11)	Percent of Class Represented by Amount In Row (9)	5.3%	
12)			
1(a)	Name of Issuer:	Tower Automotive Inc.	
1(b)	Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:	5211 Cascade Road SE, Suite 300 Grand Rapids, MI 49546	
2(a)	Name of Person Filing:	American Express Financial Corporation	
2 (b)	Address of Principal Business Office	American Express Financial Corporation 200 AXP Financial Center Minneapolis, MN 55474	
2(c)	Citizenship:	See Item 4 of Cover Page	
2 (d)	Title of Class of Securities:	Common Stock	
2(e)	Cusip Number:	891707101	
3	Information if statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b) or 13d-2(b): American Express Company, one of the persons filing this statement, is a Parent Holding Company in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(ii)(G) and is an Investment Advisor registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisors Act of 1940.		
4(a)	Amount Beneficially Owned as of December 31, 2001: See Item 9 of Cover Pages		
4(b)	Percent of Class: See Item 11 of Cover Pages		
4(c)	Number of Shares as to which such person has: (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: See Item 5 of Cover Pages (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: See Item 6 of Cover Pages		

- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: See Item 7 of Cover Pages
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: See Item 8 of Cover Pages
- Ownership of 5% or Less of a Class:

  If this statement is being filed to report the fact as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following ().
- 6 Ownership of more than 5% on Behalf of Another Person:

Not Applicable

7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company:

See Exhibit I

8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable

9 Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not Applicable

10 Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

American Express Financial Corporation

Dated: December 31, 2001 By /s/ Steve Turbenson

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Steve Turbenson Signature

Steve Turbenson Director - Fund Administration Name/Title

Telephone: (612) 671-2059

#### Exhibit Index

Exhibit I Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company.

Exhibit II Statement of American Express Financial Corporation

Exhibit I

to

#### Schedule 13G

American Express Financial Corporation, a Delaware Corporation, is a parent holding company and is registered as investment advisor under section 203 of the Investment Advisor Act of 1940. The relevant subsidiaries and/or advised accounts are: Investment companies registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940; IDS Life Insurance Company and American Express Asset Management Group Inc., an investment advisor registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisors Act of 1940.

Exhibit II

to

Schedule 13G

Under the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(f)(1), American Express Financial Corporation affirms that it is individually eligible to use Schedule 13G and agrees that this Schedule is filed in its behalf and on behalf of it subsidiaries and advised accounts.

American Express Financial Corporation

By /s/ Steve Turbenson

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Steve Turbenson
Director - Fund Administration