#### **AMERICAN EXPRESS CO**

Form 4

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# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* CHENAULT KENNETH I

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle) AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]

(Check all applicable)

3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER, 200 VESEY ST. 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2006

\_X\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

Chief Executive Officer

AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER

(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10285

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - N	Non-	-Derivativ	e Sec	urities	Acquired, Dispo	sed of, or Be	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Soft TransactionAcc		4. Securities  Acquired (A) or  Disposed of (D)  (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	02/08/2007		G	V	260	D	\$0	617,835	D		
Common Stock	02/12/2007		G	V	430	D	\$0	617,405	D		
Common Stock	ı							18,614 <u>(1)</u>	I	By Isp Trust	
Common Stock	L							100,000	I	GRAT 2006	
Common Stock								75,511	I	GRAT 2005	

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Common Stock	53,423	I	Wife As Trustee/custodian
Common Stock	40,764	I	By Trust For Children
Common Stock	27,600	I	By Wife

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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	nsactionof de Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code \	of (D (Instr and 5	0) c. 3, 4, 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0 (2)	01/26/2006(3)		J(3)	159	, í	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	159	\$ 0 <u>(3</u>

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CHENAULT KENNETH I 3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER 200 VESEY ST, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER NEW YORK, NY 10285	X		Chief Executive Officer				
Signatures							

/s/ Stephen P. Norman, 02/13/2007 attorney-in-fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person 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) 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.
- (2) The phantom stock converts into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- The reported phantom stock units were acquired under the Company's Supplemental Retirement Plan on 1/26/2006, 4/21/2006, 7/20/2006, and 10/27/2006, at prices ranging from \$51.79 to \$58.86 per share.
- (4) The units are to be settled following the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.
- (5) Includes phantom stock units acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Company's Supplemental Retirement Plan.

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