AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BARSHEFSKY CHARLENE**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

WILMER CUTLER PICKERING,

(First)

LLP, 2445 M STREET, NW

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

below)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

03/30/2007

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

(Instr. 4)

WASHINGTON, DC 20037

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Code (Instr. 8)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

(Instr. 4)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

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

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

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a 5)			f (D)	(D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Share Equivalent Units	\$ 0 (1)	03/30/2007		A		353.319 (2)		(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	353.319	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director

Dire

Signatures

/s/ Stephen P. Norman, attorney-in-fact 04/03/2007

**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.
- The reported share equivalent units were acquired pursuant to the Company's 2003 Share Equivalent Unit Plan for Directors 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.
- 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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