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(Print or Typ	pe Responses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> SCHICK THOMAS A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer[Chack all appliable)			
(Last)	(First) (.	Middle)	3. Date o	of Earliest T	ransaction		(Check all applicable)			
3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER, 200 VESEY ST,			(Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2008			Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP-Corp. Affairs				
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(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(CheckApplicable Line)_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
NEW YC	ORK, NY 10285						Form filed by Person	More than One R	eporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed	(A) or of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(D) Price	(Instr. 5 and 4)			
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8	8)	Securities Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a 5)	(D)	(Month/Day/Year	;)	(Instr. 3 and 4	4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Nun Shar
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 49.13	01/31/2008		A		115,000		01/31/2009 <u>(1)</u>	01/30/2018	Common Stock	115
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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SCHICK THOMAS A 3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER 200 VESEY ST, AMERICAN EXPRESS T NEW YORK, NY 10285	TOWER		EVP-Corp. Affairs					
Signatures								
/s/ Stephen P. Norman, attorney-in-fact	02/04/2008							
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date							

Explanation of Responses:

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* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) These shares become exercisable in four cumulative annual installments of 25% each beginning on date shown as "Date Exercisable."

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