

Bush James Peter
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Bush James Peter

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
200 VESEY STREET, 3 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/09/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP, World Service

NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

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

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(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/09/2012		M	40,000 A \$ 16.71	105,479.7709	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2012		S	32,599 (1) D \$ 53.255 (2)	72,880.7709	D	
Common Stock					6,013 (3)	I	by 401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(4) These options became exercisable as follows: 17,953 on 1/29/2010; 17,954 on 1/29/2011; and the balance on 1/29/2012.

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