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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

(City)

(State)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP] GORDON MARC D (Month/Day/Year) 09/04/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O AMERICAN EXPRESS (Check all applicable) COMPANY, 200 VESEY STREET 10% Owner Director (Street) _X__ Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) Chief Information Officer _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person **NEW** Form filed by More than One YORK, NYÂ 10285-5001 Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â No Securities Beneficially Owned 0 $\mathbf{D}^{(1)}$

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

(Zip)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Securities Underlyin Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date **Expiration Title** Exercisable Date

Amount or Security Number of Shares

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

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Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

GORDON MARC D

C/O AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY 200 VESEY STREET NEW YORK, NYÂ 10285-5001

Â Chief Information Officer Â

Signatures

/s/ Carol V. Schwartz, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Gordon

09/12/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Not applicable; the reporting person does not beneficially own any Company securities at this time.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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