

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO  
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# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BURNS URSULA M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AMERICAN EXPRESS  
COMPANY, 200 VESEY STREET

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/09/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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### 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/09/2016		J <sup>(1)</sup>	3,667 D	16,333	D	
Common Stock	02/09/2016		J <sup>(1)</sup>	3,667 A	3,667	I	Through the Ursula Burns Irrevocable Trust FBO Melissa Bean <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	02/09/2016		J <sup>(3)</sup>	1,852 D	14,481	D	
Common Stock	02/09/2016		J <sup>(3)</sup>	1,852 A	1,852	I	Through the

Stock

Ursula Burns  
Irrevocable  
Trust FBO  
Malcolm  
Bean <sup>(4)</sup>

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	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)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

BURNS URSULA M  
C/O AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY  
200 VESEY STREET  
NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

Director      10% Owner      Officer      Other

X

## Signatures

/s/ Emily T. Epstein,  
attorney-in-fact

02/11/2016

          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) Disposition from settlor to the Ursula Burns Irrevocable Trust FBO Melissa Bean in substitution for cash held by the trust. The reporting person is the trustee and a member of her immediate family is a beneficiary of the trust.
- (2) The reporting person is a trustee of the Ursula Burns Irrevocable Trust FBO Melissa Bean.
- (3) Disposition from settlor to the Ursula Burns Irrevocable Trust FBO Malcolm Bean in substitution for cash held by the trust. The reporting person is the trustee and a member of her immediate family is a beneficiary of the trust.
- (4) The reporting person is a trustee of the Ursula Burns Irrevocable Trust FBO Malcolm Bean.

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