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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 27, 2003

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York 1-7657 13-4922250

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of incorporation) Identification No.)

200 Vesey Street, World Financial Center

New York, New York

10285

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 640-2000

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE; AND ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The following information is furnished under Item 9 - Regulation FD Disclosure and Item 12 - Results of Operations and Financial Condition:

On October 27, 2003, American Express Company issued a press release announcing its financial results for the third quarter of 2003. A copy of such press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated herein by reference. In addition, in conjunction with the announcement of its financial results, American Express Company distributed additional financial information relating to its 2003 third quarter financial

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results and a 2003 Third Quarter Earnings Supplement. Such additional financial information and the 2003 Third Quarter Earnings Supplement are attached to this report as Exhibits 99.2 and 99.3, respectively, and each are hereby incorporated by reference.

EXHIBIT

- 99.1 Press Release, dated October 27, 2003, of American Express Company announcing its financial results for the third quarter of 2003.
- 99.2 Additional financial information relating to the financial results of American Express Company for the third quarter of 2003.
- 99.3 2003 Third Quarter Earnings Supplement of American Express Company.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY (REGISTRANT)

By: /s/ Stephen P. Norman Name: Stephen P. Norman

Title: Secretary

DATE: October 27, 2003

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