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# AMERICAN EXPRESS CO Form 8-K October 22, 2004

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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 22, 2004

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

	New York	1-7657	13-4922250
•	or other jurisdiction incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
2	200 Vesey Street, World New York, Ne		10285
-	(Address of principal e	executive offices)	(Zip Code)
Re	egistrant's telephone r	number, including area code	e: (212) 640-2000
	(Former name or forme	er address, if changed sind	ce last report)
simultar	neously satisfy the fil	ow if the Form 8-K filing ling obligation of the reg	istrant under any of
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)		
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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 22, 2004, American Express Company (the "Company") announced the signing of a definitive agreement for the sale of American Express Business Finance Corporation, the equipment leasing unit of the Company's small business division, to Key Equipment Finance, an affiliate of KeyCorp. Information contained in such press release is furnished herein in Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated by reference.

#### Exhibit

99.1 Press Release, dated October 22, 2004, of American Express Company announcing the signing of a definitive agreement for the sale of American Express Business Finance Corporation, the equipment leasing unit of the Company's small business division, to Key Equipment Finance, an affiliate of KeyCorp.

#### 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 22, 2004

### EXHIBIT INDEX

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