AMERICAN EXPRESS CO Form 8-K April 30, 2013

#### UNITED STATES 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): April 30, 2013

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

New York (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 1-7657 (Commission File Number) 13-4922250 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 Vesey Street, World Financial Center New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

10285 (Zip Code)

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

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item Other Events 8.01

On April 30, 2013, American Express Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing an increase in the quarterly dividend on its common stock from \$0.20 per share to \$0.23 per share. Such press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item Financial Statements and Exhibits 9.01

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release of American Express Company, dated April 30, 2013, announcing an increase in the quarterly dividend on its common stock.

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### 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/ Carol V. Schwartz Name: Carol V. Schwartz Title: Secretary

Date: April 30, 2013

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# EXHIBIT INDEX

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