Buckminster Douglas E. Form 4 January 30, 2013

#### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Common

Stock

01/29/2013

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Buckminste	Address of Reporting er Douglas E.	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle)  BELGRAVE HOUSE, 76  BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD			Date of Earlies Ionth/Day/Year /28/2013		L		Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Pres, Int'l Consumer & SBS			
LONDON	(Street)		If Amendment, ed(Month/Day/Y	~	al		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - No	n-Derivativ	Secur	ities Acq	Person uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Data (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transac Code Year) (Instr. 8	4. Securetion(A) or E (Instr. 3	isposed	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Inc Form: Direct Be (D) or Ov	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	01/28/2013		Code A	V Amoun 1,968		Price (1)	(Instr. 3 and 4) 55,368.967	D		
Common Stock	01/28/2013		F(2)	932	D	\$ 59.07	54,436.967	D		
Common Stock	01/28/2013		A	52,493	A	(1)	106,929.967	D		
Common Stock	01/28/2013		F(2)	24,856	D	\$ 59.07	82,073.967	D		

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76,936.967

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Common 401(k) $12,035.12 \frac{(4)}{}$  I Stock Trust

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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. DriNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		ate	Amou Under Securi	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Buckminster Douglas E. **BELGRAVE HOUSE** 76 BUCKINGHAM PALACE ROAD LONDON

Pres, Int'l Consumer & SBS

### **Signatures**

/s/ Michael G. Kuchs, 01/30/2013 attorney-in-fact

\*\*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).
- Shares acquired pursuant to the vesting of Restricted Stock Units (i.e., "performance units") granted to the reporting person on January **(1)** 26, 2010.
- (2) The reported disposition represents the surrender of shares to satisfy tax obligations arising from the vesting of Restricted Stock Units.

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- (3) The reported disposition represents the surrender of shares to satisfy tax obligations arising from the vesting of a Restricted Stock Award.
- (4) Shares held in reporting person's account under the Company's Retirement Savings Plan. This plan uses unit accounting, and the number of shares that a participant is deemed to hold varies with the unit price of the Company pooled stock fund.

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