

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

Form 4

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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 \*  
WALTER ROBERT D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

CARDINAL HEALTH, INC., 7000  
CARDINAL PLACE

(Street)

DUBLIN, OH 43017

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/23/2007

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)

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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (A) or (D) Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/24/2007                           |  | P                              |   | 300 A \$ 60.76  | 110,600  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 04/24/2007                           |  | P                              |   | 5,700 A \$ 60.77  | 116,300  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 04/24/2007                           |  | P                              |   | 8,500 A \$ 60.78  | 124,800  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 04/24/2007                           |  | P                              |   | 3,700 A \$ 60.79  | 128,500  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 04/24/2007                           |  | P                              |   | 1,800 A \$ 60.8   | 130,300  | D                                 |

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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. P... Der... Sec... (Ins... |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                         | Amount or Number of Shares |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V   | (A)                           | (D)                        |
| Share Equivalent Units                     | (1)  | 04/23/2007                           |  | A                              | 3,400<br>(2)  | (3)  | (3)   | Common Stock                  | 3,400                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| WALTER ROBERT D<br>CARDINAL HEALTH, INC.<br>7000 CARDINAL PLACE<br>DUBLIN, OH 43017 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Stephen P. Norman,  
attorney-in-fact

04/25/2007

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) The Share Equivalent Units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The reported Share Equivalent Units were acquired pursuant to the Company's 2003 Share Equivalent Unit Plan for Directors and will be settled in cash following termination of service as a Director.
- (3) The Share Equivalent Units are convertible immediately and have no expiration date.
- (4)

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Includes share equivalent units acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan and/or the 2003 Share Equivalent Unit Plan for Directors.

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