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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): January 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) (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation or organization)

200 Vesey Street, World Financial Center

New York, New York

(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 5. Other Events.

On January 27, 2003, the Registrant issued a press release announcing its 2002 fourth quarter and full year earnings and distributed a 2002 Fourth Quarter/Full Year Earnings Supplement. Such press release is filed herein as Exhibit 99.1, and such Earnings Supplement is filed herein as Exhibit 99.2.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

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- (c) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press release of American Express Company announcing its 2002 fourth quarter and full year earnings, dated January 27, 2003.
- 99.2 2002 Fourth Quarter/Full Year 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: January 27, 2003

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