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AMERICAN EXPRESS CO  
Form 8-K  
July 29, 2009

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): July 29, 2009

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

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

200 Vesey Street, World Financial Center New York, New York	10285
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(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

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

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of  
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Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the  
Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On July 29, 2009, American Express Company (the "Company") repurchased in full  
from the United States Department of the Treasury (the "Treasury Department")  
the warrant to purchase approximately 24.3 million common shares of the  
Company (the "Warrant"), which was issued to the Treasury Department pursuant to

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the TARP Capital Purchase Program. The purchase price paid by the Company to the Treasury Department for the Warrant was \$340 million.

A copy of the Company's press release, dated July 29, 2009, announcing the Company's repurchase of the Warrant is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

### ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

The first paragraph set forth in Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

### 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

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Name: Carol V. Schwartz  
Title: Secretary

Date: July 29, 2009

### EXHIBIT INDEX

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION
99.1	Press release, dated July 29, 2009, of American Express Company announcing repurchase of the warrant to purchase approximately 24.3 million common shares of the Company, which was issued to the United States Department of the Treasury pursuant to the TARP Capital Purchase Program.