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# 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): May 21, 2008

## 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 stelephone number, including area code: (212) 640-2000

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

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 21, 2008, we entered into a First Supplemental Indenture, by and between American Express Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, supplementing the Indenture dated as of November 21, 2003, by and between American Express Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, attached as Exhibit 4(s) to the post-effective amendment to Form S-3 (Registration Statement No. 333-138032) filed by American Express Company on November 28, 2006.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
- 1.1 First Supplemental Indenture dated as of May 21, 2008 by and between American Express Company and U.S. Bank National Association

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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/ Stephen P. Norman Name: Stephen P. Norman

Title: Secretary

DATE: May 27, 2008