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AMERICAN EXPRESS CO
Form 8-K
June 26, 2008

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): June 25, 2008

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

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| 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.) |

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

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

None

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the 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.

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On June 25, 2008, American Express Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it has reached an agreement with MasterCard Inc. ("MasterCard") to drop MasterCard as a defendant in a lawsuit alleging that it had illegally blocked the Company from the bank-issued card business in the United States. The press release also contained a statement from Kenneth I. Chenault, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, in which he commented on the agreement with MasterCard, as well as weakening business conditions and deteriorating credit indicators in the United States. A copy of such press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Exhibit

99.1 Press Release, dated June 25, 2008.

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: June 25, 2008

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Item No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press Release, dated June 25, 2008. |