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## Section 1: 8-K (FORM 8-K OF AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY)

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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): July 28, 2016

## 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  
New York, New York

(Address of principal executive offices)

10285

(Zip Code)

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

Not Applicable

(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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 8.01. Other Events**

On July 28, 2016, American Express Company (the “Company”) announced that it has issued a notice of redemption for all of its 6.80% Subordinated Debentures, at a redemption price equal to 100% of their principal amount. The redemption date will be September 1, 2016.

A copy of the press release announcing the redemption is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.****(d) Exhibits.**

The following exhibits are filed herewith:

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press release of American Express Company, dated July 28, 2016.

**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

Name: Carol V. Schwartz

Title: Secretary

Dated: July 28, 2016

## INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Press release of American Express Company, dated July 28, 2016.

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## Section 2: EX-99.1 (EXHIBIT 99.1)

EXHIBIT 99.1

Release  
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### AMERICAN EXPRESS ANNOUNCES REDEMPTION

#### OF ITS 6.80% SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

**NEW YORK, July 28, 2016** -- American Express Company (NYSE: AXP) announced today that it has issued a notice of redemption for all of its 6.80% Subordinated Debentures, with an aggregate outstanding principal amount of \$750 million, at a redemption price equal to 100% of principal amount. The redemption date will be September 1, 2016.

The installment of interest on the debentures that is payable on September 1, 2016 will be paid to the holders of the debentures that were registered as such at the close of business on the related record date, August 15, 2016. As a result, there will be no accrued and unpaid interest on the debentures payable in connection with the redemption thereof.

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