AMERICAN EXPRESS CO Form 8-K September 14, 2011

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): September 14, 2011

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

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Regulation FD Disclosure

Daniel T. Henry, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of American Express Company (the "Company"), provided the following information earlier today at the Barclays Capital Global Financial Services Conference in New York:

For the U.S. Cardmember Loan portfolio:

Net write-off rate* in August 2011: 2.7%
30 days past due rate in August 2011: 1.4%

Mr. Henry also said that the Company's worldwide billings growth has been holding up well so far during the third quarter of 2011. He noted that Hurricane Irene did impact U.S. spending at the end of August. He also noted that billings rose at a somewhat slower rate in EMEA.

An audio replay of Mr. Henry's complete remarks will be available later today through the American Express Investor Relations website at http://ir.americanexpress.com.

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^{*} Net write-off rate based on principal only (i.e. excluding interest and/or fees).

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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/ Carol V. Schwartz Name: Carol V. Schwartz

Title: Secretary

Date: September 14, 2011

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