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September 22, 2003

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 22, 2003

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

New York 1-7657 13-4922250

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) Identification No.)

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

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

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On September 22, 2003, American Express Company issued a statement relating to the U.S. Court of Appeals' recent decision to affirm the District Court's ruling in favor of the Department of Justice in its antitrust lawsuit against Visa and Mastercard. The statement is furnished herein in Exhibit 99.1.

Exhibit

99.1 Statement issued September 22, 2003, by American Express Company

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relating to the U.S. Court of Appeals' recent decision to affirm the District Court's ruling in favor of the Department of Justice in its antitrust lawsuit against Visa and Mastercard.

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: September 22, 2003

EXHIBIT INDEX

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