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## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person\*

ONE EAST FOURTH STREET

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LINDNER CARL H

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940		l		ПСэрс	
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC</u> [ AFG ]		all applicabl Director Officer (giv	le)	Perso X	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/02/2005		below) Chai	rman of	the I	below) Board
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Join	t/Group F	iling (	Check Applicable

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock								0	D	
Common Stock	06/02/2005		G	v	25	D	\$0.00	7,001,933	Ι	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	07/19/2005		G	v	100	D	\$0.00	7,001,823	I	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	07/25/2005		Р	v	8,696.529 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$32.218	7,010,529	I	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	07/25/2005		Р	v	18,469.705 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$32.218	7,028,999	Ι	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	09/12/2005		G	v	10,424	D	\$0.00	7,018,575	Ι	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/03/2005		G	v	7,022	D	\$0.00	7,011,553	Ι	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/05/2005		G	v	20,462	D	\$0.00	6,991,091	Ι	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/25/2005		Р	v	27,701.977 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$31.546	7,018,793	I	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	11/08/2005		G	v	14,649	D	\$0.00	7,004,144	I	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	11/21/2005		G	v	153,086	D	\$0.00	6,851,058	I	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	12/01/2005		G	v	26,542	D	\$0.00	6,824,516	Ι	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	12/02/2005		G	v	1,331	D	\$0.00	6,823,185	I	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	12/08/2005		G	v	535	D	\$0.00	6,822,650	I	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	12/12/2005		G	v	268	A	\$0.00	6,822,382	I	Indirect #1 <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	07/25/2005		Р	v	1,200.806 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$0.00	576,258 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	Indirect #2 <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock	07/25/2005		Р	v	2,283.405 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$31.546	578,541.638	I	Indirect #2 <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock	07/25/2005		Р	v	2,853.585 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$32.218	653 <b>,</b> 994 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	Indirect #3 <sup>(6)</sup>
Common Stock	08/22/2005		G	v	653,994	D	\$0.00	0	Ι	Indirect #3 <sup>(6)</sup>

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		ransaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Securiti Evode (Instr. ) Securiti Benefic Owned			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)		
Common Stock	07/25/2005		Р	v	10.582 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$32.218	2,737.9539	Ι	Indirect #4 <sup>(7)</sup>		
Common Stock	10/25/2005		Р	v	10.849 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$31.546	2,748.803	Ι	Indirect #4 <sup>(7)</sup>		
Common Stock								2,677,229 <sup>(3)</sup>	Ι	Indirect #8 <sup>(8)</sup>		

## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number of Expiration Date Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ate	7. Title Amour Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. #1: By Carl H. Lindner Jr., et al., Trustee for the Carl H. Lindner Amended and Restated Family Trust dated 12/23/83.

2. These are shares issued through the Company's dividend reinvestment plan.

3. On July 11, 2005, Indirect #8 transferred 141,568 shares of AFG common stock to Indirect #2 and on July 6, 2005 Indirect #3 transferred 160,924 shares of AFG common stock to Indirect #2. On August 22, 2005, Indirect #2 transferred 84,354 shares of AFG common stock to Indirect #3. On October 4, 2005, Indirect #8 transferred 181,203 shares of AFG Common stock to Indirect #2 4. #2: By Edyth B. Lindner, Spouse

5. On July 16, 2005, Indirect #3 transferred 160,924 shares of AFG common stock to Indirect #2. On August 22, 2005, Indirect #3 transferred 84,354 shares of AFG common stock to Indirect #2

6. #3: By Lou Ann Flint, Trustee of the Edyth B. Lindner 2002-2 Qualified Annuity Trust U/A dated 8/19/02.

7. #4: By Carl H. Lindner Jr., et al, Trustee for the Carl H. Lindner Amended and Restated Family Trust dated 1/22/82.

8. #8: By Joseph A. Pedoto, TTEE of the Edyth B. Lindner 2005-1 Qualified Annuity Trust dated 4/26/2005.

**Remarks:** 

Carl H. Lindner By: Karl J. Grafe, as Attorney-in-Fact

12/12/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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