RUNK FRED J Form 5/A February 15, 2005

# FORM 5

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Reported Form 4

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** RUNK FRED J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC [AFG]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (N	(Month	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004				DirectorX_ Officer (giv	e title Other below)			
ONE EAST	FOURTH STRE	ET					Sr. Vice President & Treasurer				
				Amendment, Date Original d(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting			
C			02/14/2005				(check applicable line)				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-Der	rivative Se	curitie	s Acqu	iired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, it any (Month/Day/Year	Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)			
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	251,286	D	Â		
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	6,718.18	I	ESPP (1)		
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	1,403.9018	I	DRIP (2)		
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.			Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless					SEC 2270 (9-02)			

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## 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Compesnation	\$ 31.31	Â	Â	Â	Â	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	13,451.7

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
<b>Fg</b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RUNK FRED J ONE EAST FOURTH STREET CINCINNATLÂ OHÂ 45202	Â	Â	Sr. Vice President & Treasurer	Â			

## **Signatures**

Fred J. Runk 02/14/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- 165.48 shares were allocated to the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP") in 2004 at (1) prices ranging from \$25.51 to \$31.46 per share. All ESPP information reporting herein is based on a plan statement dated as of December 31, 2004.
- (2) 25.159 shares were purchased in 2004 at prices ranging from \$26.79 to \$28.19 per share in the Issuer's Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the "DRIP"). All DRIP information reported herein is based on a plan statement dated as of December 31, 2004.
- Represents amounts deferred by the Reporting Person in the Issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan. Upon distribution, the Reporting (3) Person's account balance may be distributed, at the option of the Issuer, either in cash or in shares of the Issuer's common stock. The account increased by 231.5571 shares in 2004.

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