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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JENSEN KEITH A			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) ONE EAST	(First)	(First) (Middle) 3. Date of (Month/Date OURTH STREET 01/09/20			ansaction			Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
CINCINNA	(Street) ATI, OH 45202			ndment, Da nth/Day/Year	Č	1		6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by M Person		rson
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	Execution any	emed on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Do (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/09/2006			M	4,873	A	\$ 39.08	10,417	D	
Common								0	I	401-K

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

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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 tionDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and A
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Deferred Compensation	\$ 38.31	12/31/2005		A V	5,105.7499	,	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock
Deferred Compensation	\$ 39.08	01/09/2006		D		4,873 (2)	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
JENSEN KEITH A							
ONE EAST FOURTH STREET			Sr. Vice President				
CINCINNATI, OH 45202							

Signatures

Keith A. Jensen By: Karl J. Grafe, as Attorney-in-Fact

01/11/2006

**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).
- Represents amounts deferred by the Reporting Person in the Issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan. The account value increases or decreases based on the value of the Issuer's common stock and dividends paid. Upon termination of employment or earlier, if so elected, the Reporting 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.
- (2) Represents a distribution by the Reporting Person from the Issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan. Upon distribution, the Reporting 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.

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