

AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC

Form 4

August 15, 2007

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LINDNER CARL H

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) (Middle)

ONE EAST FOURTH STREET

(Street)

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/25/2007

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

Chairman of the Board

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☐ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	Price	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock	04/25/2007		P	V 25,706 <sup>(2)</sup>	A \$ 0	8,721,611	I #1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	05/01/2007		G	V 4,252	D \$ 0	8,717,553	I #1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	05/02/2007		G	V 33,011	D \$ 0	8,684,542	I #1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	05/07/2007		G	V 19,472	D \$ 0	8,665,070	I #1 <sup>(3)</sup>

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Common Stock	05/09/2007	G	V	5,566	D	\$ 0	8,659,504	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	05/17/2007	G	V	4,161	D	\$ 0	8,655,343	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	05/23/2007	G	V	18,527	D	\$ 0	8,636,816	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	06/06/2007	G	V	3,737	D	\$ 0	8,633,079	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	06/14/2007	G	V	4,285	D	\$ 0	8,628,794	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	06/29/2007	G	V	9,517	D	\$ 0	8,619,277	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	07/02/2007	G	V	9,000	D	\$ 0	8,610,277 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	07/16/2007	G	V	9,397	D	\$ 0	8,600,880	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	07/20/2007	G	V	4,698	D	\$ 0	8,596,182	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	07/25/2007	P	V	29,213 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 30.735	8,625,395	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	08/13/2007	P		300	A	\$ 28.9	8,625,695 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	08/13/2007	P		24,700	A	\$ 28.92	8,650,395	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	08/13/2007	P		600	A	\$ 28.77	8,650,995	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	08/13/2007	P		24,400	A	\$ 28.82	8,675,395	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	08/13/2007	P		25,000	A	\$ 28.78	8,700,395	I	#1 <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	07/25/2007	P	V	7,794 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 30.735	2,307,716 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	#2 <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock	07/25/2007	P	V	6,995 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 30.735	2,070,996	I	#3 <sup>(5)</sup>
Common Stock	07/25/2007	P	V	14 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 30.735	4,218	I	#4 <sup>(6)</sup>
Common Stock							2,614,757 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	#8

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 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LINDNER CARL H ONE EAST FOURTH STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202	X	X	Chairman of the Board	

## Signatures

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

08/15/2007

\_\_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).

- (1) On January 1, 2007, Indirect #8 transferred 170,421 shares of the Issuer's common stock to Indirect #2 and on March 30, 2007, and Indirect #8 transferred 180,644 shares of the Issuer's common stock to Indirect #2. On April 20, 2007, the Reporting Person transferred 194 shares of common stock to Indirect #1. On July 2, 2007, Indirect #8 transferred 180,749 shares of the Issuer's common stock to Indirect #2.
- (2) These shares were purchased through the Issuer's Dividend Reinvestment Plan
- (3) Indirect #1: By Carl H. Lindner Jr., et al, TTEE for the CHL Amended and Restated Family Trust dated 12/23/83.
- (4) Indirect #2: By Edyth B. Lindner, Spouse.
- (5) Indirect #3: EBL TTEE of the Edyth B. Lindner Family Trust dated 4/13/04.
- (6) Indirect #4: By Carl H. Lindner, Jr., et al, Trustee of the CHL Amended and Restated Family Trust dated 1/22/82.

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