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AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC Form 4 February 25, 2015 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading LINDNER CARL H III Issuer Symbol AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP (Check all applicable) INC [AFG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) **301 EAST FOURTH STREET** 02/23/2015 Co-CEO & Co-President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CINCINNATI, OH 45202 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common $A^{(1)}$ 02/23/2015 11,880 Α \$0 4,112,133 Ι #1 (2) Stock Common I #2 <u>(3)</u> 37,443 Stock Common Ι #12 (4) 1,348,500 Stock Common 176,166 Ι #21 (5) Stock Common 33,091 I #22 (6) Stock

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Common Stock	56,709	I	#25 <u>(7)</u>
Common Stock	1,516,741	I	#26 <u>(8)</u>
Common Stock	167,621	Ι	#27 <u>(9)</u>
Common Stock	1,584	I	#28 (10)
Common Stock	2,346,609	I	#29 <u>(11)</u>
Common Stock	110,589	Ι	#30 (12)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	orDerivative Securities		Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option Grant	\$ 63.15	02/23/2015		А		50,000	(13)	02/23/2025	Common	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LINDNER CARL H III 301 EAST FOURTH STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202	Х		Co-CEO & Co-President				

Signatures

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

**Signature of Reporting Person

02/25/2015 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) Represents the grant of restricted stock from the Issuer that vests four years from the date of grant.
- (2) Indirect #1: CHL III, TTEE (or his Successors) of the Carl H. Lindner III Family Trust DTD 8/29/02 as Amended.
- (3) Indirect #2: Martha S. Lindner, (or her Successor) of the Martha S. Lindner Family Trust DTD 8/30/02 as amended.
- (4) Indirect #12: Seraphim Partners LLC fka CHL Investments, LLC
- (5) Indirect #21: Doug Marcian, TTEE MBL Trust Dtd 10/26/05.
- (6) Indirect #22: Doug Marcian, TTEE GD Trust Dtd 10/26/05.
- (7) Indirect #25: Lou Ann Flint TTEE MBL 2009 Consolidation Trust DTD 12/22/09.
- (8) Indirect #26: CHL III 2010-1 Qualified Annuity Trust DTD 4/9/10.
- (9) Indirect #27: Lou Ann Flint TTEE MBL 2009 Trust DTD 4/13/2009.
- (10) Indirect #28 MBL TTEE MBL Trust DTD 1/17/2008

Indirect #29: Shares voting and dispositive power and holds a remainder interest in shares held directly or indirectly by a charitable lead(11) annuity trust. The reporting person disclaims beneficial interest of the shares held by the trust except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in such shares.

- (12) Indirect #30: Martha S. Lindner TTEE Carl H. Lindner Dynasty Trust DTD 12/21/12
- (13) These Employee Stock Options become exercisable in five equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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