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AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC Form 4 March 21, 2016 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 X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) **301 EAST FOURTH STREET** 03/17/2016 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) anv Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 02/12/2016 G V 8,303 D \$0 4,094,345 Ι #1 (1) Stock Common 02/22/2016 \$0 #1 (1) G V 7,780 D 4,086,565 Ι Stock Common $A^{(2)}$ #1 (1) 03/17/2016 15.514 A \$0 Ι 4,118,162 Stock Common #2 (3) 37,648 I Stock Common 1,348,500 I #12 (4) Stock

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Common Stock	176,166	Ι	#21 <u>(5)</u>
Common Stock	1,473,138	Ι	#26 <u>(6)</u>
Common Stock	2,323,322	Ι	#29 <u>(7)</u>

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)

Derivative Security	or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio Code	of	6. Date Exerce Expiration Da (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title Amoun Under Securi	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Nu Deriv Secur
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					4, and 3)				Amount or		
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

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		03/21/2016				
**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) Indirect #1: CHL III, TTEE (or his Successors) of the Carl H. Lindner III Family Trust DTD 8/29/02 as Amended.
- (2) Stock award from the Issuer made under the Senior Executive Equity Bonus Plan.
- (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 #26: CHL III 2010-1 Qualified Annuity Trust DTD 4/9/10.

Indirect #29: Shares voting and dispositive power and holds a remainder interest in shares held directly or indirectly by a charitable lead(7) 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.

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