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FORM TA-W

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL FROM REGISTRATION AS TRANSFER AGENT

Pursuant To Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Read all instructions on reverse side before preparing form. Please print or type.

1. Transfer Agent File No.: 84-1905	2. Full name of registrant: American Financial Corporation
3. Name under which transfer agent activities are conducted, if different from above:	
4. Address of registrants principal place of business: No. and street	City State Zip Code
5. Furnish registrants reasons for ceasing the performance of transfer agent functions or for otherwise requesting withdrawal of its registration. See attached.	
6. Furnish the last date registrant performed transfer agent functions as defined by Section 3(a)(25) of the Act for any security, including debt and equity, registered under Section 12 of the Act or which would be required to be registered except for the exemption from registration provided by subsection (g)(2)(B) or (g)(2)(G) of that section. November 20, 2003	
Does registrant have any intention of performing in the near future a transfer agent function for any such security? No.	
7. Is registrant directly or indirectly involved in any legal actions or proceedings or aware of any potential claims (including out-of-proof conditions) against it in connection with its performance of transfer agent functions for any security? If so, furnish complete information with respect to each. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
8. Are there any unsatisfied judgments or liens against registrant arising out of its performance of transfer agent functions for any security? If so, furnish complete information regarding each judgment or lien. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. For each issue shown on Schedule B of registrants Form TA-I, as amended, and for any issues for which registrant assumed transfer agent functions since the last amendment to Schedule B, furnish the name(s) and address(es) of any successor transfer agent(s) and state whether such transfer agent(s) is registered as a transfer agent pursuant to the Act. If there is no successor transfer agent(s), so state. No successor transfer agent.	
10. For each issue shown on Schedule B of registrants Form TA-I, as amended, and for any issues for which registrant assumed transfer agent functions since the last amendment to Schedule B, furnish the name(s) and address(es) of the person(s) who has or will have custody or possession of the books and records which registrant maintained in connection with its performance of transfer agent functions. Securities Transfer Company, One East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202	
11. Furnish the address(es), if different from Item 10, where such books and records will be located. N/A	
12. EXECUTION. The registrant submitting this Form and its attachments and the person executing it represent hereby that it and all materials filed in connection therewith contain a true, correct and complete statement of all required information. Registrant also consents hereby to make the books and records it is required to preserve by Rules 17A d-6 and 7 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.17A d-6 and 7) available for examination by authorized representatives of the Securities and Exchange Commission during the period the rules require registrant to preserve such books and records and hereby authorizes the person having custody of such books and records to make them available to such representatives.	

ATTENTION
 Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute federal criminal violations.
 (See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).)

Dated the 27th day of January, 2004
American Financial Corporation
 (Name of transfer agent)
James C. Kennedy
 (Manual signature of principal officer or duly authorized principal)
James C. Kennedy
 (Printed name of principal officer or duly authorized principal)
Vice President and Secretary (513)579-2538
 (Title) (Telephone number)

Handwritten initials and marks

American Financial Corporation (84-1905)

Answer to Item #5

Registrant was merged with/into
American Financial Group, Inc.
(File #84-5581) on 11/20/03.
Please see attached.

AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.**NEWS RELEASE**

Date: November 20, 2003

Contact: Anne N. Watson

Vice President-Investor Relations

For Release: Immediate

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Web Sites: www.amfnl.comwww.GreatAmericanInsurance.com**AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP ANNOUNCES
COMPLETION OF ITS MERGER WITH
AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION**

Cincinnati, Ohio - November 20, 2003 - American Financial Group, Inc. (NYSE: AFG) announced today that it has completed its merger with its subsidiary, American Financial Corporation ("AFC"). The merger significantly increases AFG shareholders' equity and simplifies the structure of the company and its subsidiaries.

Holders of over 75% of AFC's shares of Series J Preferred Stock, voting at a special meeting of AFC shareholders, voted to approve the merger. As a result, AFC and its immediate parent company, AFC Holding Company, merged with and into AFG. AFC's Series J Preferred shareholders are now entitled to receive \$26.00 per share in common stock of AFG, along with a cash payment of 10½ cents per share representing accrued dividends on the Series J Preferred from November 1 to November 20, 2003. Cash will also be paid in lieu of fractional shares of AFG common stock. The exchange rate is 1.1434 shares of AFG common stock for each share of AFC Series J Preferred.

Letter of transmittal forms are being sent to all record holders of Series J preferred stock today. Shareholders are asked to complete and return the forms to the Company along with the certificate(s) representing their shares.

In the merger, approximately \$72 million of AFC preferred stock was converted into approximately 3.3 million shares of AFG common stock. As previously reported, the conversion of AFC preferred stock to AFG common equity and the elimination of deferred tax liabilities associated with AFC's holding of AFG stock, will result in a 12% to 15% increase in AFG shareholders' equity.

Through the operations of Great American Insurance Group, AFG is engaged primarily in property and casualty insurance, focusing on specialized commercial products for businesses, and in the sale of annuities, life and supplemental health insurance products.

Forward Looking Statements

This press release contains certain statements that may be deemed to be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. All statements in this press release not dealing with historical results are forward-looking and are based on estimates, assumptions and projections.

Actual results could differ materially from those expected by AFG depending on certain factors including but not limited to: changes in economic conditions including interest rates, performance of securities markets, and the availability of capital, regulatory actions, changes in legal environment, judicial decisions and rulings, tax law changes, and other changes in market conditions that could affect AFG's insurance operations.

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