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AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC Form 8-K September 23, 2014

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 23, 2014

AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 1-13653 31-1544320 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

301 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 579-2121

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a 2.03. Registrant..

On September 23, 2014, American Financial Group, Inc. (the "Registrant") closed the underwritten public offering (the "Offering") of \$150,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of 6 \(^14\%\) Subordinated Debentures due 2054 (the "Debentures"). The Debentures were issued under an Indenture dated as of September 23, 2014 between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture dated as of September 23, 2014. The Debentures have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Act") pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-179867) (such registration statement, as amended, including all documents incorporated therein by reference, being herein after referred to as the "Registration Statement") previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 2, 2012 under the Act. For a description of the Debentures, see the materials set forth in the section captioned "Description of Debt Securities" in the Registration Statement and the materials set forth in the section captioned "Description of Debentures" in the Prospectus Supplement of the Registrant dated September 16, 2014 and filed with the Commission on September 17, 2014 pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Act, which is incorporated herein by reference. The Indenture is incorporated by reference as Exhibit 4.1, the First Supplemental Indenture is incorporated by reference as Exhibit 4.2 and a specimen copy of the Debentures is incorporated by reference as Exhibit 4.3, respectively, in this Current Report on Form 8-K and each is incorporated herein by reference. The foregoing description of the Debentures and the other documents relating to this transaction does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of these securities and documents, forms or copies of which are incorporated herein by reference in this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Section 9 — Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Subordinated Debt Securities Indenture dated as of September 23, 2014, between the Registrant, as Issuer, and 4.1 U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registration Statement on Form 8-A (File No. 001-13653), filed by the Registrant on September 23, 2014).

First Supplemental Indenture dated as of September 23, 2014 between the Registrant, as Issuer and U.S. Bank

- 4.2 National Association, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Registration Statement on Form 8-A (File No. 001-13653), filed by the Registrant on September 23, 2014).
- Form of 6 1/4% Debentures due 2054 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the Registration Statement on Form 8-A (File No. 001-13653), filed by the Registrant on September 23, 2014).

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

Date: September 23, 2014

By: /s/ Karl J. Grafe
Karl J. Grafe
Vice President