

GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL RESOURCES INC

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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
SCHEDULE 13E-3
RULE 13e-3 TRANSACTION STATEMENT
(Pursuant to Section 13(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934)**

Amendment No. 1

GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL RESOURCES, INC.

(Name of the Issuer)

GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL RESOURCES, INC.

AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

GAFRI ACQUISITION CORP.

CARL H. LINDNER

CARL H. LINDNER III

S. CRAIG LINDNER

(Name of Person(s) Filing Statement)

Common Stock, \$1.00 par value (GAFRI Common Stock)

(Title of Class of Securities)

389915019

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL RESOURCES, INC.

250 East Fifth Street, 10th Floor

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Attention: Mark F. Muething, Esq.

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AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

GAFRI ACQUISITION CORP.

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This statement is filed in connection with (check appropriate box):

payable in connection with the extinguishing of outstanding options to purchase GAFRI Common Stock (equal to \$235,617,707). In accordance with Exchange Act Rule 0-11(c), the filing fee was determined by multiplying 0.00003070 by the sum of (A) and (B) in the preceding sentence.

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Introductory Statement

This Amendment No. 1 to Rule 13e-3 Transaction Statement (Amendment No. 1) is being filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) pursuant to Section 13(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) by Great American Financial Resources, Inc., a Delaware corporation (GAFRI or the Company), American Financial Group, Inc., an Ohio corporation (AFG), GAFRI Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of AFG (GAC), Carl H. Lindner, Carl H. Lindner III and S. Craig Lindner (collectively, the Filing Persons). This Amendment No. 1 amends the Rule 13e-3 Transaction Statement filed by GAFRI, AFG and GAC on June 14, 2007 (the Transaction Statement). Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Amendment No. 1 have the meanings assigned such terms in the Transaction Statement.

Concurrently with the filing of this Amendment No. 1, GAFRI is filing with the SEC a preliminary proxy statement (the Proxy Statement) under Regulation 14A of the Exchange Act, pursuant to which GAFRI 's board of directors (the Board of Directors) is soliciting proxies from stockholders of GAFRI in connection with the merger. The Proxy Statement is attached hereto as Exhibit (a)(1). A copy of the Merger Agreement is attached to the Proxy Statement as Appendix A and is incorporated in this Amendment No. 1 by reference. The attached Proxy Statement is in preliminary form and is subject to completion by amendment.

Pursuant to General Instruction F to Schedule 13E-3, the information in the Proxy Statement, including all exhibits and appendices thereto, is expressly incorporated by reference in this Amendment No. 1 in its entirety, and responses to each item herein are qualified in their entirety by the information contained in the Proxy Statement. The cross references below are being supplied pursuant to General Instruction G to Schedule 13E-3 and show the location in the Proxy Statement of the information required to be included in response to the items of Schedule 13E-3. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings assigned to them in the Proxy Statement.

The items to Schedule 13E-3 set forth in this Amendment No. 1 amend and restate the items presented in the Transaction Statement. Items to Schedule 13E-3 not presented in this Amendment No. 1 are incorporated in this Amendment No. 1 in their entirety from the Transaction Statement.

All information contained in, or incorporated by reference into, this Amendment No. 1 concerning each Filing Person was supplied by such Filing Person, and no other Filing Person, including GAFRI, takes responsibility for the accuracy of such information as it relates to any other Filing Person.

Item 2. Subject Company Information.

(a) *Name and address.* Great American Financial Resources, Inc., 250 East Fifth Street, 10th Floor, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202, telephone number (513) 333-5300.

(b) *Securities.* The information set forth under The Special Meeting General; Required Vote and Important Information Regarding GAFRI Markets and Market Price in the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference.

(c) *Trading Market and Price.* The information set forth under Important Information Regarding GAFRI Markets and Market Price in the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference.

(d) *Dividends.* The information set forth under Important Information Regarding GAFRI Markets and Market Price in the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference.

(e) *Prior public offerings.* Not Applicable.

(f) *Prior stock purchases.* None.

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Item 3. Identity and Background of Filing Persons.

(a) Name and address.

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AFG beneficially owns approximately 81% of the outstanding GAFRI Common Stock. AFG owns 100% of the outstanding common stock of GAC.

Carl H. Lindner is Chairman of the Board of both GAFRI and AFG. Carl H. Lindner III is Co-Chief Executive Officer, Co-President and a Director of AFG. S. Craig Lindner is Co-Chief Executive Officer, Co-President and a Director of AFG and Chief Executive Officer and a Director of GAFRI.

Information regarding GAFRI required by Instruction C to Schedule 13E-3 is set forth under Important Information Regarding GAFRI Executive Officers and Directors of GAFRI in the Proxy Statement and incorporated by reference. Information regarding AFG and GAC required by Instruction C to Schedule 13E-3 was provided in Annex A to the Transaction Statement.

The information set forth under Parties Involved in the Proposed Transaction in the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference.

(b) *Business and background of entities.* See paragraph (a) above.

(c) *Business and background of natural person.* The information regarding Carl H. Lindner, Carl H. Lindner III and S. Craig Lindner was provided as set forth in paragraph (a) above.

Item 4. Terms of the Transaction.

(a) *Material terms.* The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Questions and Answers About the Special Meeting and the Merger ; The Special Meeting Required Vote ; Special Factors Background of the Merger ; Special Factors The Special Committee ; Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors ; Special Factors Opinion of the Special Committee's Financial Advisor ; Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger ; Special Factors Considerations Relating to the Proposed Merger ; Special Factors Interests of Certain Persons in the Merger ; Special Factors Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences ; and Terms of the Merger Agreement Conditions to the Merger.

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(b) *Not applicable.*

(c) *Different terms.* The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement are incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger ; and Special Factors Interests of Certain Persons in the Merger.

(d) *Appraisal rights.* The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Questions and Answers About the Special Meeting and the Merger and Special Factors Appraisal Rights.

(e) *Provisions for unaffiliated security holders.* None.

(f) *Eligibility for listing or trading.* Not applicable.

Item 5. Past Contacts, Transactions, Negotiations and Agreements.

(g) *Transactions.* GAFRI and American Money Management Corporation (AMM), a wholly-owned subsidiary of AFG, are parties to an Investment Services Agreement under which AMM provides investment services to GAFRI s insurance subsidiaries in accordance with guidelines. GAFRI and its subsidiaries pay AMM a fee based on AMM s cost of providing these services. Investment charges paid by us to AMM were \$4.1 million in 2006.

Under a tax allocation agreement with AFG that became effective in 2006, GAFRI and its subsidiaries in the consolidated tax return group generally pay or recover taxes based on each subsidiary s contribution to amounts due under AFG s consolidated return. The tax allocation agreement with AFG has not impacted the recognition of income tax expense and income tax payable in GAFRI s financial statements. If the AFG tax group utilizes any of GAFRI s net operating losses or deductions that originated prior to GAFRI s entering AFG s consolidated tax group, AFG will pay to GAFRI an amount equal to the benefit received. During 2006, GAFRI and its subsidiaries which are included in the AFG consolidated tax group incurred income tax expense of \$47.6 million.

GAFRI paid \$2.1 million to AFG for various information technology services (primarily outsourcing) in 2006. GAFRI paid approximately \$202,000 to AFG for services related to purchases from third party vendors. All of these transactions were based on fair market value.

During 2006, GAFRI paid The Cincinnati Hotel approximately \$140,000 for lodging and meeting accommodations. The hotel is owned by a subsidiary of AFG.

(h) *Significant Corporate Events and (c) Negotiations or Contacts.* The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Questions and Answers About the Special Meeting and the Merger ; Special Factors The Special Committee ; Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors ; Special Factors Opinion of the Special Committee s Financial Advisor ; Special Factors Interests of Certain Persons in the Merger ; and Terms of the Merger Agreement.

(d) *Conflicts of Interest.* AFG and its securityholders stand to benefit from the transactions described to the extent that AFG s purchase price for the outstanding shares of GAFRI Common Stock is less than that which a third party may have to pay.

(e) *Agreements Involving the Subject Company s Securities.* None.

Item 6. Purposes of the Transaction and Plans or Proposals.

(b) *Use of Securities Acquired.* The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Questions and Answers About the

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Special Meeting and the Merger ; Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger ; Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger ; and Terms of the Merger Agreement Consideration to be Received Pursuant to the Merger; Treatment of Stock Options.

(c)(1) to (c)(8) *Plans*. The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Questions and Answers About the Special Meeting and the Merger ; Special Factors-Background of the Merger ; Special Factors-AFG s Reasons for the Merger ; Special Factors Background of the Merger ; Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors ; Special Factors Opinion of the Special Committee s Financial Advisor ; Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger ; Special Factors Considerations Relating to the Proposed Merger ; Special Factors Interests of Certain Persons in the Merger ; Terms of the Merger Agreement General; The Merger ; and Terms of the Merger Agreement When the Merger Becomes Effective.

Item 7. Purposes, Alternatives, Reasons and Effects.

(a) *Purposes*. The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Special Factors Background of the Merger ; Special Factors-AFG s Reasons for the Merger ; Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger ; and Special Factors Considerations Relating to the Proposed Merger.

(b) *Alternatives*. The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Special Factors Background of the Merger ; Special Factors AFG s Reasons for the Merger ; Special Factors Determination as to Fairness AFG, GAFRI and Affiliaes ; and Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors.

(c) *Reasons*. The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Special Factors Background of the Merger ; Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors ; Special Factors Opinion of the Special Committee s Financial Advisor ; Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger ; Special Factors Considerations Relating to the Proposed Merger ; and Special Factors Interests of Certain Persons in the Merger.

(d) *Effects*. The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Questions and Answers About the Special Meeting and the Merger ; Special Factors Background of the Merger ; and Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors ; Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger ; Special Factors Considerations Relating to the Proposed Merger ; Special Factors Interests of Certain Persons in the Merger ; and Special Factors Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences.

Item 8. Fairness of the Transaction.

(a) *Fairness*. The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Special Factors Background of the Merger ; Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors ; Special Factors Opinion of the Special Committee s Financial Advisor ; and Appendix B Opinion of Cochran Caronia Waller LLC dated May 17, 2007.

(b) *Factors considered in determining fairness*. The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Special Factors Background of the Merger ; Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors ;

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Special Factors Opinion of the Special Committee s Financial Advisor ; and Appendix B Opinion of Cochran Caronia Waller LLC dated May 17, 2007.

(c) *Approval of security holders.* The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Questions and Answers About the Special Meeting and the Merger ; The Special Meeting General ; The Special Meeting Required Vote ; Terms of the Merger Agreement Conditions to the Merger.

(d) *Unaffiliated representative.* An unaffiliated representative was not retained to act solely on behalf of the unaffiliated stockholders for purposes of negotiating the terms of the merger or preparing a report concerning the fairness of the merger. The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Special Factors The Special Committee ; Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors ; and Special Factors Opinion of the Special Committee s Financial Advisor.

(e) *Approval of directors.* The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors ; and Special Factors Opinion of the Special Committee s Financial Advisor.

(f) *Other offers.* Not applicable.

Item 12. The Solicitation or Recommendation.

(d) *Intent to tender or vote in a going-private transaction* The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Summary Term Sheet ; Questions and Answers About the Special Meeting and the Merger and The Special Meeting Required Vote.

(e) *Recommendations of others.* The information set forth under the following section of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference: Special Factors Recommendation of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger.

Item 15. Additional Information.

(b) *Other material information.* All information set forth in the Proxy Statement, including all appendices to the Proxy Statement, is incorporated by reference.

Item 16. Exhibits.

(a) Proxy Statement of GAFRI, including the form of proxy card, letter to stockholders and notice of special meeting of stockholders (incorporated by reference to the Proxy Statement).

(b) Not applicable.

(c)(1) Opinion of Cochran Caronia Waller LLC (CCW) dated May 17, 2007 (incorporated by referenced to Appendix B to the Proxy Statement).

(c)(2) Presentation of CCW to the Special Committee of Independent Directors of the Board of Directors of GAFRI dated May 17, 2007 (previously filed).

(d)(1) Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of May 17, 2007, by and among Great American Financial Resources, Inc., American Financial Group, Inc. and GAFRI Acquisition Corp. (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Proxy Statement).

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(d)(2) Power of Attorney for Carl H. Lindner, Carl H. Lindner III and S. Craig Lindner.

(f) The information set forth under the following sections of the Proxy Statement is incorporated by reference:
Special Factors Appraisal Rights and Appendix C Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law.

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SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL RESOURCES, INC.

July 25, 2007 /s/ Mark F. Muething
Date Mark F. Muething
Executive Vice President

AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

July 25, 2007 /s/ James C. Kennedy
Date James C. Kennedy
Vice President

GAFRI ACQUISITION CORP.

July 25, 2007 /s/ James C. Kennedy
Date James C. Kennedy
Vice President

July 25, 2007 *

Date Carl H. Lindner

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Date Carl H. Lindner III

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Date S. Craig Lindner

July 25, 2007 *By: /s/ Karl J. Grafe

Date Karl J. Grafe
Attorney in Fact