

ARES CAPITAL CORP
Form 8-K
February 09, 2007

United States
Securities and Exchange Commission

Washington, DC 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) **February 9, 2007**

ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Maryland
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

333-134077
(Commission
File Number)

33-1089684
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

280 Park Avenue, 22nd Floor, New York, NY
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

10017
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(212) 750-7300**

N/A
(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 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

Ares Capital Corporation completed its underwritten public offering of 1,382,078 shares of its common stock on February 9, 2007, including the underwriter's exercise in full of its over-allotment option, raising approximately \$27 million in net proceeds after deducting the underwriting discount and estimated offering expenses. Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated acted as the underwriter.

The Company expects to use the net proceeds to repay outstanding indebtedness and for general corporate purposes.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

| Exhibit Number | Description |
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Not Applicable.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION

Date: February 9, 2007

By: /s/ Daniel F. Nguyen

Name: Daniel F. Nguyen
Title: Chief Financial Officer