

ARES CAPITAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
July 24, 2008

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

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**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) **July 22, 2008**

**ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

<b>Maryland</b>	<b>000-50697</b>	<b>33-1089684</b>
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**280 Park Avenue, 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Building East, New York, NY 10017**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

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

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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99.1 Press Release, dated as of July 24, 2008.

**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: July 24, 2008

By:	/s/ Richard S. Davis	
Name:		Richard S. Davis
Title:		Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
10.1	Amendment No. 10 to Sale and Servicing Agreement, dated as of July 22, 2008, by and among Ares Capital CP Funding LLC, Ares Capital Corporation, each of the conduit purchasers and institutional purchasers from time to time party thereto, each of the purchaser agents from time to time party thereto, Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC, as administrative agent and purchaser agent with respect to Variable Funding Capital Company LLC as conduit purchaser, U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, and Lyon Financial Services, Inc. (D/B/A U.S. Bank Portfolio Services), as the backup servicer.
99.1	Press Release, dated as of July 24, 2008.