

ARES CAPITAL CORP
Form 8-K
July 18, 2006

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) **July 18, 2006**

ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Maryland	333-134077	33-1089684
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

280 Park Avenue, 22nd Floor, 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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Item 7.01. **Regulation FD Disclosure**

On July 18, 2006, the Registrant issued a press release, filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and by this reference incorporated herein.

Item 9.01. **Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits:

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
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99.1	Press Release
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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: July 18, 2006

By: /s/ DANIEL F. NGUYEN
Name: Daniel F. Nguyen
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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99.1 Press Release

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