# ARES CAPITAL CORP

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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) April 8, 2005

### **ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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

**780 Third Avenue, 46 <sup>th</sup> 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 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On April 8, 2005, Ares Capital Corporation (the "Issuer") and Ares Capital CP Funding LLC, a single member, special purpose, limited liability company, wholly owned by Ares Capital ("Ares Capital CP"), entered into Amendment No. 2 to Sale and Servicing Agreement (the "Amendment") that increased the amount available for borrowing under the Issuer's credit facility from \$150,000,000 to \$225,000,000.

Descriptions in this Current Report of the Amendment are qualified in their entirety by reference to a copy of such document which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

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

The information set forth under Item 1.01 of this current report on Form 8-K is hereby incorporated in this Item 2.03 by reference

| <u>Item 9.01</u> . | Financial Statements and Exhibits.  |  |
|--------------------|---|--|
| (c)                | Exhibits:   |  |
| Exhibit Number     | Description   |  |
| 10.1               | Amendment No. 2 to Sale and Servicing Agreement, dated as of April 8, 2005, 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, U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, and Lyon Financial Services, Inc. (D/B/A U.S. Bank Portfolio Services), as the backup servicer. |  |
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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: April 11, 2005

By: <u>/s/ Daniel F. Nguyen</u> Name: Daniel F. Nguyen Title: Chief Financial Officer

| Exhibit | Number  |
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Description

Amendment No. 2 to Sale and Servicing Agreement, dated as of April 8, 2005, 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, U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, and Lyon Financial Services, Inc. (D/B/A U.S. Bank Portfolio Services), as the backup servicer.

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Exhibit 10.1

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO SALE AND SERVICING AGREEMENT (Ares Capital CP Funding LLC)

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE SALE AND SERVICING AGREEMENT, dated as of April 8, 2005 (this "<u>Amendment</u>"), is entered into in connection with that certain Sale and Servicing Agreement, dated as of November 3, 2004 (as amended, modified, waived, supplemented or restated from time to time, the "<u>Sale and Servicing Agreement</u>"), by and among Ares Capital CP Funding LLC, as the borrower (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), Ares Capital Corporation, as the originator and as the servicer (in such capacity, the "<u>Servicer</u>"), 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 the administrative agent, U.S. Bank National Association, as the trustee, and Lyon Financial Services, Inc. (d/b/a U.S. Bank Portfolio Services), as the backup servicer. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Sale and Servicing Agreement.

#### <u>RECITALS</u>

**WHEREAS**, the above-named parties have entered into the Sale and Servicing Agreement, and, pursuant to and, in accordance with <u>Section 13.1</u> thereof, the parties hereto desire to amend the Sale and Servicing Agreement in certain respects as provided herein;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, based upon the above Recitals, the mutual premises and agreements contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

#### SECTION 1. <u>AMENDMENT</u>.

(a) The following definition in <u>Section 1.1</u> of the Sale and Servicing Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

"<u>Facility Amount</u>": The lesser of (a) \$225,000,000, as such amount may vary from time to time upon the written agreement of the parties hereto, and (b) the aggregate Commitments then if effect; *provided* that, on or after the Termination Date, the Facility Amount shall be equal to the Advances Outstanding.

(b) <u>Annex B</u> is hereby amended and restated in its entirety by replacing the number \$150,000,000 therein with the number \$225,000,000 under the "Commitment" heading.

#### SECTION 2. <u>AGREEMENT IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT AS AMENDED</u>.

Except as specifically amended hereby, all provisions of the Sale and Servicing Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. This Amendment shall not be deemed to expressly or impliedly waive, amend or supplement any provision of the Sale and Servicing

Agreement other than as expressly set forth herein and shall not constitute a novation of the Sale and Servicing Agreement.

#### SECTION 3. <u>REPRESENTATIONS</u>.

Each of the Borrower and Servicer represent and warrant as of the date of this Amendment as follows:

(i) it is duly incorporated or organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization;

(ii) the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Amendment are within its powers, have been duly authorized, and do not contravene (A) its charter, by-laws, or other organizational documents, or (B) any Applicable Law;

(iii) no consent, license, permit, approval or authorization of, or registration, filing or declaration with any governmental authority, is required in connection with the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Amendment by or against it;

(iv) this Amendment has been duly executed and delivered by it;

(v) this Amendment constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally or by general principles of equity;

(vi) it is not in default under the Sale and Servicing Agreement; and

(vii) there is no Termination Event, Unmatured Termination Event, or Servicer Default.

#### SECTION 4. <u>CONDITIONS TO EFFECTIVENESS</u>.

The effectiveness of this Amendment is conditioned upon (i) delivery of executed signature pages by all parties hereto to the Agent, (ii) execution and delivery of the Amended and Restated VFCC Fee Letter, (iii) execution and delivery of the Amended, Restated and Substituted VFCC Certificate and (iv) payment to the Agent of the Facility Increase Structuring Fee in connection with this Amendment as required by the Amended and Restated VFCC Fee Letter.

#### SECTION 5. <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>.

(a) This Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts (including by facsimile), and by the different parties hereto on the same or separate counterparts, each of which

shall be deemed to be an original instrument but all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

(b) The descriptive headings of the various sections of this Amendment are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions hereof.

(c) This Amendment may not be amended or otherwise modified except as provided in the Sale and Servicing Agreement.

(d) The failure or unenforceability of any provision hereof shall not affect the other provisions of this Amendment.

(e) Whenever the context and construction so require, all words used in the singular number herein shall be deemed to have been used in the plural, and vice versa, and the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter and the neuter shall include the masculine and feminine.

(f) This Amendment represents the final agreement between the parties only with respect to the subject matter expressly covered hereby and may not be contradicted by evidence of prior, contemporaneous or subsequent oral agreements between the parties. There are no unwritten oral agreements between the parties.

#### (g) THIS AMENDMENT AND THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES UNDER THIS AMENDMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ITS CONFLICT OF LAWS PROVISIONS.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, as of the date first above written.

**VFCC:** 

# VARIABLE FUNDING CAPITAL CORPORATION

By: Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC, as attorney-in-fact

By: /s/ Douglas R. Wilson, Sr.

Name: Douglas R. Wilson, Sr. Title: Vice President

#### WACHOVIA CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

By: <u>/s/ Paul A. Burkhart</u> Name: Paul A. Burkhart Title: Vice President

[Signatures Continued on the Following Page]

THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND THE VFCC AGENT:

THE ORIGINATOR AND SERVICER:

THE TRUSTEE

#### ARES CAPITAL CP FUNDING LLC

By: <u>/s/ Kevin A. Frankel</u> Name: Kevin A. Frankel

Title: Secretary

#### **ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION**

By: <u>/s/ Michael Arougheti</u> Name: Michael Arougheti

Title: President

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, not in its individual capacity but solely as Trustee.

By: /s/ Anne E. Chlebnik

Name: Anne E. Chlebnik Title: Vice President

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