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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *					2.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol						ool		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
Kelly Daniel G Jr				$\mathbf{A}$	ARES CAPITAL CORP [ ARCC ]												
(Last) (First) (Middle)				3.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)							X_Director					
												Officer (gr	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
C/O ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION, 245 PARK AVENUE,						11/4/2016											
CORPORA 44TH FLOC		5 PARK	(AV)	ENU	E,												
(Street)				4.	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)							(Y) 6. Individual	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
NEW YORK, NY 10167 (City) (State) (Zip)													_ X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
· ·	3)			I - N	on-De	rivat	ive Sec						Beneficially Own				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Trans	1			3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquir Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		red (A)		(Instr. 3 and 4)			7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
							Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price				Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 11/4/2016			016			P		7500	A	\$15.33	ഥ	15391			As Trustee for the Wheeler- Kelly Family 2005 Trust		
	Tabl	le II - Der	ivative	e Secu	ırities	Bene	ficially	y Owned	( e.g	, puts,	calls, w	varran	its, options, conve	ertible sec	urities)		
Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date E	Executi	A. Deemed xecution ate, if any		Acqui Dispo				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		Securi Deriva	e and Amount of ities Underlying ative Security 3 and 4)	Underlying Derivative Security Security		Form of Derivative Security:	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	V	(A)	(D)		ate kercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

(1) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$15.22 to \$15.36, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Ares Capital Corporation, any security holder of Ares Capital Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Kelly Daniel G Jr C/O ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION	X					
245 PARK AVENUE, 44TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10167	A					

### **Signatures**

/s/ Monica Shilling, by power of attorney	11/8/2016
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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