

ARES CAPITAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
May 10, 2007

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 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) **May 10, 2007**

**ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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

**280 Park Avenue, 22nd 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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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On May 10, 2007, the Registrant issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2007. The text of the press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

The information disclosed under this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing made under the Securities Act of 1933, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

The Registrant issued a press release, filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1, and by this reference incorporated herein, on May 10, 2007 announcing the declaration of a second quarter dividend of \$0.41 per share. The dividend is payable on June 29, 2007 to stockholders of record as of June 15, 2007.

The information disclosed under this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing made under the Securities Act of 1933, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits:

| Exhibit<br>Number | Description                             |
|-------------------|---|
| 99.1              | Press Release, dated as of May 10, 2007 |

**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.

Date: May 10, 2007

ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION

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

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