ASTA FUNDING INC Form 8-K February 09, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 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): February 9, 2012

ASTA FUNDING, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

210 Sylvan Avenue, Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey 07632 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 201-567-5648

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On February 9, 2012, Asta Funding, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the first quarter of the fiscal year ended September 30, 2012. A copy of the press release, including financial information released as a part thereof, is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Item 2.02 of the Current Report, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Item 2.02 of this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

Item 9.01 Exhibits

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is furnished with this Current Report on Form 8-K:

No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated February 9, 2012, announcing financial results for the first quarter of fiscal year ended September 30, 2012.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ASTA FUNDING, INC.

Date: February 9, 2012

By: /s/ Robert J. Michel
Robert J. Michel

Chief Financial Officer