ASTA FUNDING INC Form 8-K March 09, 2009

#### 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 27, 2009

ASTA FUNDING, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **0-26906** (Commission File Number) **22-3388607** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**210 Sylvan Avenue, Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey07632**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)(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:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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 February 27, 2009, Asta Funding, Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release regarding results for the three months ended December 31, 2008. A copy of this press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated February 27, 2009.

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#### 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: March 5, 2009

By: <u>/s/ Robert J. Michel</u> Robert J. Michel Chief Financial Officer

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99.1 Press release dated February 27, 2009.

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