
Section 1: N-23C-2 (N-23C-2)

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

NOTIFICATION OF REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO RULE 23C-2 UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940

File No. 817-01231

ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION

(Name of Registrant)

245 Park Avenue, 44th Floor

New York, New York 10167

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

The undersigned here notifies the Securities and Exchange Commission that it intends to redeem securities of which it is the issuer, as set forth below in accordance with the requirements of Rule 23c-2 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

(1) Title of the class of securities of Ares Capital Corporation (the "Company") to be redeemed:

3.875% Notes due 2020 (CUSIP: 04010LAP8) (the "Notes").

(2) Date on which the securities are to be redeemed:

The Notes will be redeemed on December 19, 2019.

(3) Applicable provisions of the governing instrument pursuant to which the securities are to be redeemed:

The Notes are to be redeemed pursuant to (i) Article Eleven of the Company's base indenture governing the Notes, dated as of October 21, 2010 (the "Base Indenture"), between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, as amended (the "Indenture"), and (ii) Section 1.01(h) of the Fifth Supplemental Indenture, dated as of November 21, 2014, between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "Fifth Supplemental Indenture").

(4) The principal amount or number of shares and the basis upon which the securities to be redeemed are to be selected:

The Company will redeem all of the outstanding Notes (\$600,000,000 aggregate principal amount) pursuant to the terms of the Indenture and the Fifth Supplemental Indenture.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Rule 23c-2 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, the Company has duly caused this Notice of Intention to Redeem Securities to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned on this 19th day of November, 2019.

ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Penni F. Roll

Name: Penni F. Roll

Title: Chief Financial Officer

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