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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM ABS-15G  
ASSET-BACKED SECURITIZER  
REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15G OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Check the appropriate box to indicate the filing obligation to which this form is intended to satisfy:

Rule 15Ga-1 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.15Ga-1) for the reporting period

January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2011

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) February 14, 2012

Commission File Number of securitizer: 814-00663 [fn]

Central Index Key Number of securitizer: 0001287750

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Name and telephone number, including area code, of the person to  
contact in connection with this filing.

Indicate by check mark whether the securitizer has no activity to report for the initial period pursuant to Rule 15Ga-1(c)(1)

Indicate by check mark whether the securitizer has no activity to report for the quarterly period pursuant to Rule 15Ga-1(c)(2)(i)

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Indicate by check mark whether the securitizer has no activity to report for the annual period pursuant to Rule 15Ga-1(c)(2)(ii)

[fn]: Ares Capital Corporation, as securitizer, is filing this Form ABS-15G in respect of all asset-backed securities sponsored by it and outstanding during the reporting period, including asset-backed securities privately issued by the following affiliated issuers: (i) Ares Capital CP Funding LLC (Commission File Number 812-13603-175; Central Index Key Number 0001525658); and (ii) ARCC Commercial Loan Trust 2006 (Commission File Number 812-13603-176; Central Index Key Number 0001525657).

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**REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTY INFORMATION**

**Item 1.01 Initial Filing of Rule 15Ga-1 Representations and Warranties Disclosure**

Pursuant to Rule 15Ga-1(c)(1), Ares Capital Corporation has indicated by check mark that there is no activity to report for the initial period.

**Item 1.02 Periodic Filing of Rule 15Ga-1 Representations and Warranties Disclosure**

Not applicable.

**Item 1.03 Notice of Termination of Duty to File Reports under Rule 15Ga-1**

Not applicable.

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**SIGNATURES**

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

Ares Capital Corporation

(Securitizer)

Date February 14, 2012

/s/ Joshua M. Bloomstein  
General Counsel, Vice President and Secretary

(Signature)\*

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\*Print name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

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