

ASTA FUNDING INC
Form 8-K
December 18, 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): DECEMBER 15, 2009

ASTA FUNDING, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

0-26906

22-3388607

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**210 Sylvan Avenue, Englewood Cliffs,
New Jersey**

07632

(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 - 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))
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ITEM 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

On December 15, 2009, Asta Funding, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release regarding the unaudited results for the three months and fiscal year ended September 30, 2009. A copy of this press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. A teleconference discussing those results was held the following day. A copy of the transcript of that teleconference is being furnished as Exhibit 99.2 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 Exhibits 99.1 and 9.2 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

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| 99.1 | Press release dated December 15, 2009. |
| 99.2 | Transcript of December 16, 2009 teleconference. |

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: December 18, 2009

By: /s/ Robert J. Michel
Robert J. Michel
Chief Financial Officer