ARES CAPITAL CORP Form 305B2 October 20, 2010

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM T-1

#### STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER

#### THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A

#### CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

Check if an Application to Determine Eligibility of

a Trustee Pursuant to Section 305(b)(2)

### U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

(Exact name of Trustee as specified in its charter)

#### 31-0841368

I.R.S. Employer Identification No.

800 Nicollet Mall	
Minneapolis, Minnesota	55402
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Karen R. Beard

U.S. Bank National Association

One Federal Street

Boston, MA 02110

(617) 603-6565

(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

# **ARES Capital Corporation**

(Exact name of obligator as specified in its charter)

Maryland	33-1089684		
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)		

280 Park Avenue, 22nd Floor	
New York, NY	10017
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)

## 7.75% Senior Notes Due 2040

(Title of the Indenture Securities)

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Item 1.	<b>GENERAL INFORMATION.</b> Furnish the following information as to the Trustee.
a)	Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.
_	gton, D.C.
b) Whe	ther it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.
Yes	
Item 2.	<b>AFFILIATIONS WITH OBLIGOR.</b> If the obligor is an affiliate of the Trustee, describe each iliation.
None	
Items 3- in defau	Items 3-15 are not applicable because to the best of the Trustee s knowledge, the obligor is not lt under any Indenture for which the Trustee acts as Trustee.
Item 16 qualifica	
1. 4	A copy of the Articles of Association of the Trustee.*
2.	A copy of the certificate of authority of the Trustee to commence business.**

3.	A copy of the certificate of authority of the Trustee to exercise corporate trust powers.**
4.	A copy of the existing bylaws of the Trustee.**
5.	A copy of each Indenture referred to in Item 4. Not applicable.
6. Exhibi	The consent of the Trustee required by Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, attached as t 6.
7. superv	Report of Condition of the Trustee as of June 30, 2010 published pursuant to law or the requirements of its ising or examining authority, attached as Exhibit 7.
Number ** Inc	rporated by reference to Exhibit 25.1 to Amendment No. 2 to registration statement on S-4, Registration er 333-128217 filed on November 15, 2005.  orporated by reference to Exhibit 25.1 to registration statement on S-4, Registration Number 333-166527 filed by 5, 2010.
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#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the Trustee, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, has duly caused this statement of eligibility and qualification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Boston, Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the 21st of September, 2010.

By: /s/ Karen R. Beard Karen R. Beard

Vice President

#### Exhibit 6

#### **CONSENT**

In accordance with Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, the undersigned, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION hereby consents that reports of examination of the undersigned by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon its request therefor.

Dated: October 19, 2010

By: /s/ Karen R. Beard Karen R. Beard

Vice President

#### Exhibit 7

#### **U.S. Bank National Association**

#### **Statement of Financial Condition**

### Exhibit 7

#### As of 6/30/2010

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#### Cincinnati

City

 OH
 45202

 State
 Zip Code

FDIC Certificate Number: 06548

Consolidated Report of Condition for Insured Commercial and State-Chartered Savings Banks for June 30, 2010

All schedules are to be reported in thousands of dollars. Unless otherwise indicated, report the amount outstanding as of the last business day of the quarter.

#### Schedule RC Balance Sheet

		Dollar Amount	in Thousands	RCFD	Tril   Bil   Mil   Thou
ASSE					
1.	Cash and balances due from depository institutions (from Schedule RC-A):				
	a. Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin (1)			0081	4,543,9891.a
	b. Interest-bearing balances			0071	477,520l.b
	(2)				
2.	Securities:				700.001
	a. Held-to-maturity securities (from Schedule RC-B, column A)			1754	590,0012.a
	b. Available-for-sale securities (from Schedule RC-B, column D)			1773	46,161,4412.b
3.	Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell:			RCON	
	a. Federal funds said in domestic offices			B987	4,344,9273.a
				RCFD	
	b. Securities purchased under agreements to resell (3)			B989	03.b
4.	Loans and lease financing receivables (from Schedule RC-C):				
	a. Loans and leases held for sale			5369	4,912,0454.a
	b. Loans and leases, net of unearned income	B528	182,407,235		4.b
	c. LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	3123	5,082,118		4.c
	d. Loans and leases, net of unearned income and allowance (item 4.b minus 4.c)			B529	<b>177,325,117</b> 4.d
5.	Trading assets (from Schedule RC-D)			3545	1,415,2695
6.	Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)			2145	2,231,6366
7.	Other real estate owned (from Schedule RC-M)			2150	1,729,8107
8.	Investments In unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies			2130	63,7978
9.	Direct and indirect investments in real estate ventures			3656	09
10.	Intangible assets:				
	a. Goodwill			3163	8,990,06910.a

	b. Other intangible assets (from Schedule RC-M)	0426	4,016,24410.b
11.	Other assets (from Schedule RC-F)	2160	21,662,77811
12.	Total assets (sum of items 1 through 11)	2170	<b>278,464,643</b> 12

- (1) Includes cash items in process of collection and unposted debits.
- (2) Includes time certificates of deposit not held for trading.
- (3) Includes all securities resale agreements in domestic and foreign offices, regardless of maturity.

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#### Schedule RC Continued

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		Dollar Amounts in Thousands		Tril   Bil   Mil   Thou	
	BILITIES				
13.	Deposits:			RCON	
	a. In domestic offices (sum of totals columns A and C from Schedule RC-E, part I)			2200	169,153,01913.a
	(1) Noninterest-bearing (1)	6631	42,160,505		13.a.1
	(2) Interest-bearing	6636	126,992,514		13.a.2
	b. In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs			RCFN	
	(from Schedule RC-E, part II)			2200	21,880,32613.b
	(1) Noninterest-bearing	6631	0		13.b.1
	(2) Interest-bearing	6636	21,880,326		13.b.2
14.	Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase:			RCON	
	a. Federal funds purchased in domestic offices (2)			B993	2,399,70814.a
				RCFD	
	b. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase (3)			B995	8,679,97314.b
15.	Trading liabilities (from Schedule RC-D)			3548	437,28015
16.	Other borrowed money (includes mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capi	talized			
	leases) (from Schedule RC-M)			3190	32,340,36616
17.	and 18. Not applicable				
19.	Subordinated notes and debentures (4)			3200	8,129,96719
20.	Other liabilities (from Schedule RC-G)			2930	7,450,84220
21.	Total liabilities (sum of items 13 through 20)			2948	<b>250,471,481</b> 21
22.	Not applicable				
EQU	ITY CAPITAL				
	Bank Equity Capital			3838	023
23.	Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus			3230	18,20024
24.	Common stock			3839	12,636,87225
25.	Surplus (excludes all surplus related to preferred stock)			3839	12,636,87225
26.	a. Retained earnings			3632	14,476,07026.a
	b. Accumulated other comprehensive income (5)			B530	(842,534)26.b
	c. Other equity capital components (6)			A130	026.c
27.	a. Total bank equity capital (sum of items 23 through 26.C)			3210	<b>26,288,608</b> 27.a
	b. Noncontrolling (minority) interests in consolidated subsidiaries			3000	1,704,55427.b
28.	Total equity capital (sum of items 27.a and 27.b)			G105	<b>27,993,162</b> 28
29.	Total liabilities and equity capital (sum of items 21 and 28)			3300	<b>278,464,643</b> 29
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	e reported with the March Report of Condition.				
1.	Indicate in the box at the right the number of the statement below	that best desci	ribes the		
	most				
	comprehensive level of auditing work performed for the bank by	independent ex			
	auditors		R	CFD	Number

1 = Independent audit of the bank conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a certified public accounting firm which submits a report on the bank

as of any date during 2009

- 2 = Independent audit of the bank s parent holding company conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a certified public accounting firm which submits a report on the consolidated holding company (but not on the bank separately)
- 4 = Directors examination of the bank conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a certified public accounting firm (may be required by state chartering authority)

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N/A

- 5 = Directors examination of the bank performed by other external auditors (may be required by state chartering authority)
- 6 = Review of the bank s financial statements by external auditors

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3 = Attestation of bank management s assertion on the effectiveness of the bank s internal control over financial reporting by a certified public accounting firm.

- 7 = Compilation of the bank s financial statements by external auditors
- 8 = Other audit procedures (excluding tax preparation work)

9 = No external audit work

To be reported with the March Report of Condition.RCONMM / DD2. Bank s fiscal year-end date8678N/AM.2

- (1) Includes total demand deposits and noninterest-bearing time and savings deposits.
- (2) Report overnight Federal Home Loan Bank advances in Schedule RC, item 16, Other borrowed money.
- (3) Includes all securities repurchase agreements in domestic and foreign offices, regardless of maturity.
- (4) Includes limited-life preferred stock and related surplus.
- (5) Includes net unrealized holding gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities, accumulated net gains (losses) on cash flow hedges, cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments, and minimum pension liability adjustments.
- (6) Includes treasury stock and unearned Employee Stock Ownership Plan shares.

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