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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1

TO

FORM S-4 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

AMERISTAR CASINOS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Nevada 7990 88-0304799 (State or Other Jurisdiction of (Primary Standard Industrial (I.R.S. Employer

Incorporation or Organization) Classification Code Number) Identification No.)

3773 Howard Hughes Parkway

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Las Vegas, Nevada 89169

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(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

John A. Godfrey

Executive Vice President and Secretary

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c/o Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc.

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: Not applicable as this Post-Effective Amendment will deregister the registered but unsold securities under this registration statement.

If the securities being registered on this form are being offered in connection with the formation of a holding company and there is compliance with General Instruction G, check the following box.

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer " (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

EXACT NAME OF CO-REGISTRANTS AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER	STATE OR OTHER	PRIMARY STANDARD INDUSTRIAL LASSIFICATION CODE NUMBER	I.R.S. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
Cactus Pete s, Inc.	Nevada	7990	88-0069444
Ameristar Casino Vicksburg, Inc.	Mississippi	7990	64-0827382
Ameristar Casino Council Bluffs, Inc.	Iowa	7990	93-1151022
Ameristar Casino Las Vegas, Inc.	Nevada	7990	88-0360636
Ameristar Casinos Financing Corp. (formerly known as A.C.			
Food Services, Inc.)	Nevada	7990	86-0885736

DEREGISTRATION OF SECURITIES

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 relates to the Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-34381) previously filed by Ameristar Casinos, Inc., a Nevada corporation (Ameristar), Cactus Pete s, Inc., a Nevada corporation, Ameristar Casino Vicksburg, Inc., a Mississippi corporation, Ameristar Casino Council Bluffs, Inc., an Iowa corporation, Ameristar Casino Las Vegas, Inc., a Nevada corporation, Ameristar Casinos Financing Corp. (formerly known as A.C. Food Services, Inc.), a Nevada corporation (each a co-Registrant , collectively with Ameristar the Registrant), pertaining to the registration of 1/10% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2004 and related guarantees of subsidiaries, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 26, 1997 (as amended, the Registration Statement).

On December 20, 2012, Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. (Pinnacle), PNK Holdings, Inc., a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Pinnacle (HoldCo), PNK Development 32, Inc., an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Pinnacle (Merger Sub), and Ameristar, entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (as amended by that certain First Amendment, entered into on February 1, 2013 (the First Amendment) and that certain Second Amendment, entered into on March 14, 2013 (the Second Amendment , and as amended by the First Amendment and the Second Amendment, the Merger Agreement)), pursuant to which (i) Merger Sub would be merged with and into Ameristar, with Ameristar surviving as a wholly-owned, indirect subsidiary of Pinnacle, or (ii) alternately, at Pinnacle s election, under certain circumstances and under an alternative merger structure, (x) HoldCo would be merged with and into Ameristar with Ameristar as the surviving corporation (the Alternative Merger), and (y) immediately thereafter, Ameristar would merge with and into Pinnacle with Pinnacle as the surviving corporation (the Post-Effective Merger and together with the Alternative Merger, the Merger). On August 13, 2013, Pinnacle, HoldCo, and Ameristar completed the Alternative Merger, and immediately thereafter completed the Post-Effective Merger. As a result, Ameristar was merged with and into Pinnacle and ceased to exist as a separate entity.

As a result of the Merger, the Registrant has terminated all offerings of securities pursuant to its existing registration statements under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, including the Registration Statement. In accordance with an undertaking made by the Registrant to remove from registration, by means of a post-effective amendment, any securities registered under the Registration Statement that remain unsold at the termination of the offering, the Registrant hereby removes from registration all securities registered under the Registration Statement that remain unsold as of the effective time of the Merger.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-4 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Las Vegas, State of Nevada, on this 13th day of August, 2013.

AMERISTAR CASINOS, INC.

/s/ Carlos A. Ruisanchez By: Carlos A. Ruisanchez Title: President & Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, co-registrants A.C. FOOD SERVICES, INC., AMERISTAR CASINO COUNCIL BLUFFS, INC., AMERISTAR CASINO LAS VEGAS, INC., AMERISTAR CASINO VICKSBURG, INC., and CACTUS PETE S, INC. have duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Las Vegas, State of Nevada on August 13, 2013.

A.C. FOOD SERVICES, INC.

AMERISTAR CASINO COUNCIL BLUFFS, INC.

AMERISTAR CASINO LAS VEGAS, INC.

AMERISTAR CASINO VICKSBURG, INC.

CACTUS PETE S, INC.

/s/ Carlos A. Ruisanchez By: Carlos A. Ruisanchez Title: President & Chief Financial Officer*

* Carlos A. Ruisanchez is President, Chief Financial Officer and sole Director of A.C. Food Services, Inc., Ameristar Casino Council Bluffs, Inc., Ameristar Casino Las Vegas, Inc., Ameristar Casino Vicksburg, Inc., and Cactus Pete s, Inc.

A.C. Food Services, Inc. is now known as Ameristar Casinos Financing Corp.