

Ares Commercial Real Estate Corp
Form 8-K
July 11, 2013

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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) **July 9, 2013**

Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-35517
(Commission
File Number)

45-3148087
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

One North Wacker Drive, 48th Floor, Chicago, IL
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60606
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(312) 252-7500**

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 9, 2013, Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation (the Company) sold 601,590 shares of its common stock to the underwriters (the Underwriters) named in Exhibit A of the Underwriting Agreement, dated June 20, 2013, by and among the Company, Ares Commercial Real Estate Management LLC, and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the Underwriters, pursuant to the Underwriters' partial exercise of an option to purchase additional shares of the Company's common stock. The Company granted this option to the Underwriters in connection with its public offering of 18,000,000 shares of common stock, which was completed on June 26, 2013.

The Company raised approximately \$7.7 million in net proceeds from the sale of these additional shares of its common stock, which brought the total net proceeds of the offering to approximately \$242.5 million after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses.

The information disclosed under this Item 8.01 is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing made under the Securities Act of 1933, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing. The furnishing of this information pursuant to Item 8.01 shall not be deemed an admission by the Company as to the materiality of such information.

SIGNATURE

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

Date: July 11, 2013

ARES COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE CORPORATION

By:	/s/ Tae-Sik Yoon
Name:	Tae-Sik Yoon
Title:	Chief Financial Officer