

ASTA FUNDING INC  
Form 8-K  
March 14, 2012

**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)**

**March 13, 2012**

**ASTA FUNDING, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**

**(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)**

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**000-26906**  
(Commission File Number)

**22-3388607**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**210 Sylvan Avenue, Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**07632**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 201-567-5648**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 below):

- ☐ *Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act*
- ☐ *Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act*
- ☐ *Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act*
- ☐ *Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act*

**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On March 13, 2012, Asta Funding, Inc. announced that its Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.02 per share. The dividend is payable on May 1, 2012 to stockholders of record at the close of business on March 23, 2012.

The press release announcing the declaration of the dividend is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated by reference in its entirety into this Item 8.01.

**Item 9.01 Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits.

No.	Description
99.1	Press Release issued by Asta Funding, Inc., dated March 13, 2012

**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: March 14, 2012

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

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