

ASTA FUNDING INC
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May 19, 2016

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
(Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT
TO § 240.13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO
§ 240.13d-2(a)

(Amendment No. 7)1

Asta Funding, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value
(Title of Class of Securities)

046220109

(CUSIP Number)

STEVE WOLOSKY, ESQ.
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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person

Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

May 17, 2016

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§ 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box x.

Note: Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See § 240.13d-7 for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

1 The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act

but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP NO. 046220109

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

THE MANGROVE PARTNERS MASTER FUND, LTD.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) x (b) o

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

WC

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e) ..

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

CAYMAN ISLANDS

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
	8	- 0 - SHARED VOTING POWER
	9	4,005,701 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
	10	- 0 - SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		4,005,701

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

4,005,701

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) o EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

33.3%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

OO

CUSIP NO. 046220109

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

THE MANGROVE PARTNERS FUND, L.P.

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AF

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

DELAWARE

NUMBER OF	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
SHARES		
BENEFICIALLY		- 0 -
OWNED BY	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
EACH		
REPORTING		4,005,701
PERSON WITH	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
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PN

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MANGROVE PARTNERS FUND (CAYMAN), LTD.

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CUSIP NO. 046220109

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MANGROVE PARTNERS

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CUSIP NO. 046220109

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

MANGROVE CAPITAL

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14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

OO

CUSIP NO. 046220109

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

NATHANIEL AUGUST

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) ☒ (b) ☐

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

USA

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
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IN

CUSIP NO. 046220109

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Amendment No. 7 (this “Amendment No. 7”) amends Item 4 to reflect changes to the Schedule 13D filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) on March 2, 2016, as amended by Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13D filed with the SEC on March 17, 2016, as amended by Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13D filed with the SEC on March 22, 2016, as amended by Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13D filed with the SEC on April 5, 2016, as amended by Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13D filed with the SEC on April 15, 2016, as amended by Amendment No. 5 to Schedule 13D filed with the SEC on April 28, 2016, and as amended by Amendment No. 6 to the Schedule 13D filed with the SEC on May 12, 2016 (as so amended, the “Schedule 13D”). Except as specifically provided herein, this Amendment No. 7 does not modify any of the information previously reported on the Schedule 13D. Capitalized terms used herein which are not defined herein have the meanings given to them in the Schedule 13D.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented by inserting the following text at the end thereof:

The Reporting Persons have commenced discussions with the Issuer on capital structure, management of the Issuer’s assets, Board composition and ways to enhance shareholder value. The Reporting Persons may continue discussions with the Issuer on these and other matters relating to the Issuer. There can be no assurances that such discussions between the Reporting Persons and the Issuer will lead to any understandings or agreements between the parties with respect to any of the subject matters set forth above or otherwise.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of his knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: May 19, 2016

THE MANGROVE PARTNERS MASTER FUND, LTD.

By: MANGROVE PARTNERS
as Investment Manager

By: /s/ Nathaniel August
Name: Nathaniel August
Title: Director

THE MANGROVE PARTNERS FUND, L.P.

By: MANGROVE CAPITAL
as General Partner

By: /s/ Nathaniel August
Name: Nathaniel August
Title: Director

MANGROVE PARTNERS FUND (CAYMAN), LTD.

By: MANGROVE PARTNERS
as Investment Manager

By: /s/ Nathaniel August
Name: Nathaniel August
Title: Director

MANGROVE PARTNERS

By: /s/ Nathaniel August
Name: Nathaniel August
Title: Director

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MANGROVE CAPITAL

By: /s/ Nathaniel August
Name: Nathaniel August
Title: Director

/s/ Nathaniel August
NATHANIEL AUGUST

