

ARES CAPITAL CORP
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Guidance: Ares Capital Corporation 5-Year Reopening

Guidance: T+250 the number

Issuer: Ares Capital Corporation (ARCC)

Format: SEC Registered - Senior Unsecured

Ratings: BBB/BBB (Stable/Pos)

Size: \$[•]

Coupon: 3.875%

Maturity: 5-year (January 15, 2020)

Structure: 100% COC (See Red)

Active Bookrunners: BAML/JPM/WFS

UOP: Repay outstanding indebtedness and general corporate purposes

Min Denoms: \$2k x \$1k

Optional Redemption: Make whole T+35 basis points and then par call one month prior to maturity

Settlement: T+3

Investors are advised to carefully consider the investment objective, risks, charges and expenses of Ares Capital before investing. The preliminary prospectus supplement dated January 23, 2015, together with an accompanying prospectus dated June 27, 2014, which have been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, contain this and other information about Ares Capital and should be read carefully before investing.

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