Ares Commercial Real Estate Corp Form 8-K April 20, 2015

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): April 15, 2015

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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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On April 15, 2015, ACRE Capital LLC, a Michigan limited liability company and wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation, a Maryland corporation, entered into Amendment No. 3 (the Amendment) to Sixth Amended and Restated Mortgage Warehousing Credit and Security Agreement with Bank of America, N.A. and the other lenders thereto (the Warehouse Line of Credit). The Amendment temporarily increases the aggregate commitment under the Warehouse Line of Credit to \$185.0 million for the period from April 15, 2015 to June 1, 2015, after which the aggregate commitment will return to \$135.0 million

The foregoing description is only a summary of certain material provisions of the Amendment and is qualified in its entirety by reference to a copy of such agreement, which is filed herewith as Exhibit 10.1.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

The information required by Item 2.03 contained in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

Exhibit

Number

Exhibit Description

10.1 Amendment No. 3 to Sixth Amended and Restated Mortgage Warehousing Credit and Security Agreement, dated as of April 15, 2015, by and among ACRE Capital LLC, Bank of America, N.A., as Agent and Lender and the other Lenders party thereto.

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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: April 20, 2015

ARES COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE CORPORATION

By: Name: Title:

/s/ Anton Feingold Anton Feingold Vice President and Secretary

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