

ASTA FUNDING INC

Form 4

May 12, 2016

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Mangrove Partners Master Fund, Ltd.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

PO BOX 309, UGLAND HOUSE, S.
CHURCH ST.,

(Street)

GEORGE TOWN, E9 KY1-1104

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

ASTA FUNDING INC [ASFI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

05/11/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	05/11/2016		P		884,274	A	\$ 10.3498	2,986,701	D <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock	05/11/2016		P		1,000,219	A	\$ 10.3364	3,986,920	D <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock	05/12/2016		P		9,288	A	\$ 10.3404	3,996,208	D <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock	05/12/2016		P		9,493	A	\$ 10.25	4,005,701	D <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mangrove Partners Master Fund, Ltd.
PO BOX 309, UGLAND HOUSE, S. CHURCH ST.
GEORGE TOWN, E9 KY1-1104

Mangrove Partners Fund (Cayman), Ltd.
MAPLES CORP. SVCS, PO BOX 309
UGLAND HOUSE, S. CHURCH STREET
GEORGE TOWN, E9 KY1-1104

Mangrove Partners Fund, L.P.
645 MADISON AVENUE, 14TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10022

MANGROVE CAPITAL
645 MADISON AVENUE, 14TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10022

AUGUST NATHANIEL H.
645 MADISON AVENUE, 14TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10022

MANGROVE PARTNERS
645 MADISON AVENUE, 14TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10022

Signatures

/s/ Nathaniel H. August, as Director of The Mangrove Partners Master Fund, Ltd.	05/12/2016
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Nathaniel H. August, as Director of Mangrove Partners, the Investment Manager of the Reporting Person	05/12/2016
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Nathaniel H. August, as Director of Mangrove Capital, the General Partner of the Reporting Person	05/12/2016
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Nathaniel H. August as director of Mangrove Capital	05/12/2016
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Nathaniel H. August	05/12/2016
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Nathaniel H. August as director of Mangrove Partners	05/12/2016
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) This Form is being jointly filed by (1) The Mangrove Partners Master Fund, Ltd. (the "Master Fund"), (2) The Mangrove Partners Fund, L.P. (the "US Feeder"), (3) The Mangrove Partners Fund (Cayman), Ltd. (the "Cayman Feeder"), (4) Mangrove Partners, (5) Mangrove Capital and (6) Nathaniel August. Each of the foregoing is referred to as a "Reporting Person" and collectively as the "Reporting Persons."

(2) The shares which are the subject of this Form are held by the Master Fund. Beneficial ownership of the shares which is the subject of this Form is also claimed indirectly by (i) the US Feeder and the Cayman Feeder, which are the two controlling shareholders of the Master Fund, (ii) Mangrove Partners which serves as the investment manager of each of the Master Fund, the US Feeder and the Cayman Feeder, (iii) Mangrove Capital which serves as the general partner of the US Feeder, and (iv) Nathaniel August who is the principal of Mangrove Partners and Mangrove Capital.

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