NOVASTAR FINANCIAL INC Form 8-K December 06, 2006 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

November 30, 2006

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

# NOVASTAR FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 001-13533 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (Commission Number)

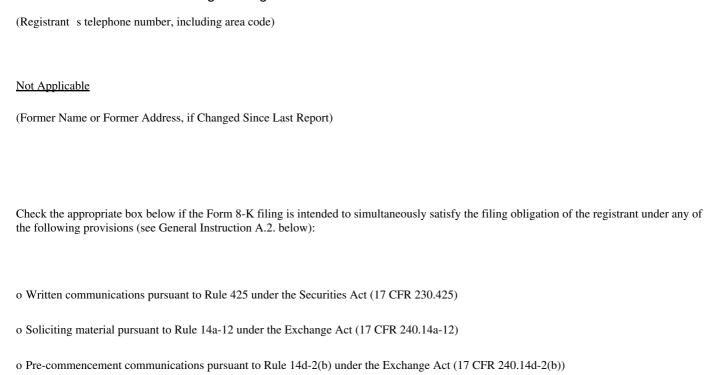
001-13533 74-2830661 (Commission File (I.R.S. Employer Number) Identification No.)

### 8140 Ward Parkway, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64114

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(816) 237-7000



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

#### INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

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

On December 6, 2006, NovaStar Financial, Inc. (the Company) announced the completion of a \$1.25 billion Asset Backed Securitization by its wholly-owned subsidiary, NovaStar Mortgage, Inc (NMI). A prospectus supplement was filed, pursuant to Rule 424(b)(5), with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 29, 2006 by NovaStar Mortgage Funding Trust, Series 2006-6 (the Trust).

Lead managers RBS Greenwich Capital, Deutsche Bank Securities and Wachovia Securities, underwrote NovaStar Mortgage Funding Trust, Series 2006-6, which closed November 30, 2006. The transaction offered 18 rated classes of notes with a face value of \$1,243,750,000.

NMI retained the M-10, M-11, M-12, M-13 and Class C certificates and also retains the right to service the underlying mortgage loans. The class M-12, M-13 and Class C certificates were not covered by the prospectus. Class M-10, M-11, M-12 and M-13 collectively represent \$26.9 million in principal. The Class M-10 is rated BBB by S&P. Class M-11 is rated BBB- by S&P. Class M-12 is rated BB+ by S&P. Class M-13 is rated BB by S&P. Class C has a notional amount of \$1.25 billion, entitles the Company to excess cash flow from the underlying loan collateral and serves as overcollateralization. Other than prepayment penalty fee cash flow, Class C is subordinated to the other classes.

The initial level of overcollateralization is approximately \$6.3 million. On any distribution date after the closing date, the Trust is required to maintain or restore overcollateralization at the initial level. The overcollateralization is available for the benefit of all classes of the offered and class I certificates.

A copy of the press release announcing this securitization is included as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated herein by reference. References to the registrant s website in the press release do not incorporate by reference the information on the registrant s website into this Current Report and the registrant disclaims any such incorporation by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (c) Exhibits
- 99 Press Release dated December 6, 2006, NovaStar Closes \$1.25 billion Asset Backed Securitization.

### **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 thereunto duly authorized.

DATE: December 6, 2006

NOVASTAR FINANCIAL, INC. /s/ Gregory S. Metz Gregory S. Metz Chief Financial Officer

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