ASTA FUNDING INC Form NT 10-K December 14, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 12b-25

NOTIFICATION OF LATE FILING

(Check One): x Form 10-K "Form 20-F "Form 11-K "Form 10-Q

" Form 10-D " Form N-SAR " Form N-CSR

For Period Ended: September 30, 2012

- " Transition Report on Form 10-K
- " Transition Report on Form 20-F
- " Transition Report on Form 11-K
- " Transition Report on Form 10-Q
- " Transition Report on Form N-SAR

For the Transition Period Ended:

Read attached instruction sheet before preparing form. Please print or type.

Nothing in this form shall be construed to imply that the Commission has verified any information contained herein. If the notification relates to a portion of the filing checked above, identify the Item(s) to which the notification relates:

PART I

REGISTRANT INFORMATION

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Asta Funding, Inc. Full Name of Registrant

Former Name if Applicable

210 Sylvan Avenue Address of Principal Executive Office (Street and Number)

Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632 City, State and Zip Code

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PART II

RULES 12b-25(b) AND (c)

If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check box if appropriate)

- x (a) The reasons described in reasonable detail in Part III of this form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense;
- x (b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, Form 20-F, Form 11-K, Form N-SAR or Form N-CSR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q or subject distribution report on Form 10-D, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date; and
- (c) The accountant s statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

PART III

NARRATIVE

State below in reasonable detail the reasons why Forms 10-K, 20-F, 11-K, 10-Q, 10-D, N-SAR or N-CSR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed within the prescribed time period.

(Attach extra Sheets if Needed)

The Registrant was unable to timely file its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2012 (the Annual Report) due to delays experienced in the collection, compilation and analysis of certain information that may be included in the Annual Report. The Registrant intends to file the Annual Report with the Securities and Exchange Commission within the fifteen-day extension period provided under Rule 12b-25 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

PART IV

OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification.

Robert J. Michel 201 567-5648 (Name) (Area Code) (Telephone Number)

(2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s) been

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filed? If answer is no, identify report(s). x Yes "No

(3) Is it anticipated that any significant change in results of operations from the corresponding period for the last fiscal year will be reflected by the earnings statements to be included in the subject report or portion thereof? "Yes x No

If so, attach an explanation of the anticipated change, both normatively and quantitatively, and, if appropriate, state the reasons why a reasonable estimate of the results cannot be made.

Asta Funding, Inc. (Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 14, 2012 By: /s/ Robert J. Michel
Robert J. Michel

Chief Financial Officer

INSTRUCTION: The form may be signed by an executive officer of the registrant or by any other duly authorized representative. The name and title of the person signing the form shall be typed or printed beneath the signature. If the statement is signed on behalf of the registrant by an authorized representative (other than an executive officer), evidence of the representative s authority to sign on behalf of the registrant shall be filed with the form.

ATTENTION

Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal Criminal Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001).