

Ares Commercial Real Estate Corp
Form SC 13G/A
February 12, 2013

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

SCHEDULE 13G
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 1)

ARES COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE CORPORATION

(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE

(Title of Class of Securities)

04013V108

(CUSIP Number)

DECEMBER 31, 2012

(Date of event which requires filing of this statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

☐ Rule 13d-1(b)

☐ Rule 13d-1(c)

☐ Rule 13d-1(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the notes).

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| 1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS | |
| Intergrated Core Strategies (US) LLC | |
| 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP | |
| (a) <input type="radio"/> o | |
| (b) <input type="radio"/> p | |
| 3 SEC USE ONLY | |
| 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION | |
| Delaware | |
| | NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH |
| 5 SOLE VOTING POWER | |
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| ICS Opportunities, Ltd. | |
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| Cayman Islands | |
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| Israel A. Englander | |
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| (b) <input type="radio"/> | |
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| SEC USE ONLY | |
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| CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION | |
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PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

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Item 1.

(a)Name of Issuer:

Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation, a Maryland corporation (the "Issuer").

(b)Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

Two North LaSalle Street, Suite 925
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Item 2.

(a)Name of Person Filing:

(b)Address of Principal Business Office:

(c)Citizenship:

Integrated Core Strategies (US) LLC
c/o Millennium Management LLC
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10103
Citizenship: Delaware

ICS Opportunities, Ltd.
c/o Millennium International Management LP
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10103
Citizenship: Cayman Islands

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Millennium International Management LP
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10103
Citizenship: Delaware

Millennium International Management GP LLC
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10103
Citizenship: Delaware

Millennium Management LLC
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10103
Citizenship: Delaware

Israel A. Englander
c/o Millennium Management LLC
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10103
Citizenship: United States

(d)Title of Class of Securities:common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock")

(e)CUSIP Number: 04013V108

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Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b), check whether the person filing is a:

- (a) ☐ Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o);
 - (b) ☐ Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
 - (c) ☐ Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
 - (d) ☐ Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);
 - (e) ☐ An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
 - (f) ☐ An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
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(h) o A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);

(g) o A parent holding company or control person in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);

(i) o A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);

(j) o Group, in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

Item 4. Ownership

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:

As of the close of business on February 11, 2013, ICS Opportunities, Ltd., an exempted limited company organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("ICS Opportunities"), beneficially owned 160,832 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock as it held unsecured 7% convertible senior notes in the original principal amount of \$3,000,000, convertible into 160,832 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock at an initial conversion price of approximately \$18.65 per share, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments. The unsecured 7% convertible senior notes will mature on December 15, 2015, unless repurchased or converted in accordance with their terms prior to such date.

As of the close of business on February 11, 2013, Integrated Core Strategies (US) LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, no longer beneficially owned any shares of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Millennium International Management LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("Millennium International Management"), is the investment manager to ICS Opportunities and may be deemed to have shared voting control and investment discretion over securities owned by ICS Opportunities.

Millennium International Management GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Millennium International Management GP"), is the general partner of Millennium International Management and may also be deemed to have shared voting control and investment discretion over securities owned by ICS Opportunities.

Millennium Management LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Millennium Management"), is the general partner of the 100% shareholder of ICS Opportunities and may be deemed to have shared voting control and investment discretion over securities owned by ICS Opportunities.

Israel A. Englander, a United States citizen ("Mr. Englander"), is the managing member of Millennium International Management GP and Millennium Management and consequently may also be deemed to have shared voting control and investment discretion over securities owned by ICS Opportunities.

The foregoing should not be construed in and of itself as an admission by Millennium International Management, Millennium International Management GP, Millennium Management or Mr. Englander as to beneficial ownership of the securities owned by ICS Opportunities.

(b) Percent of Class:

1.7% of the Issuer's Common Stock outstanding (calculated pursuant to Rule 13d-3, see Item 4(a) above), which percentage was calculated based on 9,267,162 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of November 6, 2012, as per the Issuer's Form 10-Q dated November 7, 2012.

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(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote

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(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote

160,832 (See Item 4(b))

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

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(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

160,832 (See Item 4(b))

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following ☐.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Not applicable.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

See Exhibit I.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification

By signing below each of the undersigned certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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Exhibits:

Exhibit I: Joint Filing Agreement, dated as of February 11, 2013, by and among Integrated Core Strategies (US) LLC, ICS Opportunities, Ltd., Millennium International Management LP, Millennium International Management GP LLC, Millennium Management LLC and Israel A. Englander.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of its knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information with respect to it set forth in this statement is true, complete, and correct.

Dated: February 11, 2013

INTEGRATED CORE STRATEGIES (US) LLC

By: Integrated Holding Group LP,
its Managing Member

By: Millennium Management LLC,
its General Partner

By: /s/ David Nolan
Name: David Nolan
Title: Co-President

ICS OPPORTUNITIES, LTD.

By: Millennium International Management LP,
its Investment Manager

By: /s/ David Nolan
Name: David Nolan
Title: Co-President

MILLENNIUM INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT LP

By: /s/David Nolan
Name: David Nolan
Title: Co-President

MILLENNIUM INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT GP LLC

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By: /s/David Nolan
Name: David Nolan
Title: Executive Vice President

MILLENNIUM MANAGEMENT LLC

By: /s/David Nolan
Name: David Nolan
Title: Co-President

/s/ Israel A. Englander by David Nolan
pursuant to Power of Attorney filed with
the SEC on June 6, 2005
Israel A. Englander

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EXHIBIT I JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

This will confirm the agreement by and among the undersigned that the Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about the date hereof with respect to the beneficial ownership by the undersigned of the Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation, a Maryland corporation, will be filed on behalf of each of the persons and entities named below in accordance with Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Dated: February 11, 2013

INTEGRATED CORE STRATEGIES (US) LLC

By: Integrated Holding Group LP,
its Managing Member

By: Millennium Management LLC,
its General Partner

By: /s/ David Nolan
Name: David Nolan
Title: Co-President

ICS OPPORTUNITIES, LTD.

By: Millennium International Management LP,
its Investment Manager

By: /s/ David Nolan
Name: David Nolan
Title: Co-President

MILLENNIUM INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT LP

By: /s/David Nolan
Name: David Nolan
Title: Co-President

MILLENNIUM INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT GP LLC

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By: /s/David Nolan
Name: David Nolan
Title: Executive Vice President

MILLENNIUM MANAGEMENT LLC

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Name: David Nolan
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