**ASTA FUNDING INC** 

Form 4

December 16, 2015

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

ASTA FUNDING INC [ASFI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

PO BOX 309, UGLAND HOUSE, S. 12/11/2015 CHURCH ST..

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

Officer (give title

Form filed by One Reporting Person X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Other (specify

Issuer

below)

GEORGE TOWN, E9 KY1-1104

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (		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)
Common Stock	12/11/2015		P	20,100	A	\$ 8.1358	1,404,337	D (1) (2)	
Common Stock	12/14/2015		P	21,650	A	\$ 8.0216	1,425,987	D (1) (2)	
Common Stock	12/15/2015		P	2,600	A	\$ 7.9984	1,428,587	D (1) (2)	

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)

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									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				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 PARTNERS 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

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### **Signatures**

/s/ Nathaniel H. August, as Director of The Mangrove Partners Master Fund, Ltd.					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Nathaniel H. August, as Director of Mangrove Partners, the Investment Manager of the Reporting Person	12/16/2015				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Nathaniel H. August, as Director of Mangrove Capital, the General Partner of the Reporting Person					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Nathaniel H. August as director of Mangrove Partners	12/16/2015				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Nathaniel H. August as director of Mangrove Capital					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
/s/ Nathaniel H. August	12/16/2015				
**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).
- 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."
  - 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
- (2) 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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