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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

November 8, 2016 (November 8, 2016)

CAPITALA FINANCE CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

814-01022

(Commission File Number)

90-0945675

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4201 Congress St., Suite 360 Charlotte, NC 28209

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (704) 376-5502

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

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 8, 2016, Capitala Finance Corp. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2016, the text of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information disclosed under this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing made under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated November 8, 2016

SIGNATURES

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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 8, 2016 CAPITALA FINANCE CORP.

By: /s/ Stephen A. Arnall
Stephen A. Arnall Chief Financial Officer



Capitala Finance Corp. Reports Third Quarter 2016 Results

CHARLOTTE, NC, November 8, 2016--Capitala Finance Corp. (Nasdaq:CPTA) ("Capitala", the "Company", "we", "us", or "our") today announced its financial results for the third quarter of 2016.

Third Quarter Highlights

- · Net investment income of \$7.4 million, or \$0.47 per common share
- · Investment advisor waived \$0.3 million of incentive fees for the quarter, cumulative waiver exceeds \$2.7 million since fourth quarter of 2015
- · First close on Capitala Private Credit Fund V, LP, providing co-investment opportunities for the Company
- · Recent repayments and sales provide liquidity for the Company to fund investments currently in the pipeline
- · Weighted average yield on debt portfolio at quarter end of 12.7%

Management Commentary

In describing the Company's third quarter activities, Joseph B. Alala, III, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "For the fifth consecutive quarter, distributions were covered by net investment income. New investment activity, during the quarter and subsequent to quarter-end, is a testament to our direct origination capabilities. The Company now has adequate liquidity to co-invest pro-rata with Capitala Private Credit Fund V, LP, allowing the Capitala platform to underwrite investment opportunities from \$10 million to \$50 million per investment."

Third Quarter 2016 Financial Results

Total investment income was \$17.4 million for the third quarter of 2016, compared to \$18.3 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$0.9 million. Fee income for the third quarter of 2016 was \$1.2 million lower than the comparable period in 2015. All other income collectively was \$0.3 million higher in the third quarter of 2016 compared to 2015.

Total expenses for the third quarter of 2016 were \$9.9 million, compared to \$10.5 million for the comparable period in 2015, with no material variances.

Net investment income for the third quarter of 2016 was \$7.4 million, or \$0.47 per share, compared to \$7.8 million, or \$0.48 per share, for the same period in 2015.

Net realized losses totaled \$17.0 million, or \$1.08 per share, for the third quarter of 2016, compared to net realized losses of \$16.0 million for the same period in 2015. During the quarter, the Company realized a \$28.3 million loss related to TCE Holdings, Inc., partially offset by gains related to MTI Holdings, LLC of \$8.6 million, STX Healthcare Management Services, Inc. of \$1.4 million, and \$1.3 million in net realized gains on other investments.

Net unrealized appreciation totaled \$8.5 million, or \$0.54 per share, for the third quarter of 2016, compared to net unrealized appreciation of \$16.2 million for the third quarter of 2015. For the third quarter of 2016, the Company recorded \$0.9 million of depreciation related to the written call option exercisable on Eastport Holdings, LLC membership units. The net loss (realized and unrealized) amounted to \$9.5 million for the third quarter of 2016.

The net decrease in net assets resulting from operations was \$2.0 million for the third quarter of 2016, or \$0.13 per common share, compared to a net increase of \$8.0 million, or \$0.49 per common share, for the same period in 2015.

Total net assets were \$248.4 million at September 30, 2016, or \$15.68 per share, compared to \$17.04 per share at December 31, 2015.

Investment Activity

During the third quarter of 2016, the Company originated \$26.0 million of investments, with a weighted average yield on debt investments of 12.1%. The Company received \$64.3 million in repayments in the ordinary course of business. In addition, the Company sold \$47.6 million in investments to a third party, based on the Company's June 30, 2016 fair values.

Investment Portfolio

At September 30, 2016, the Company's portfolio consisted of investments in 51 companies with a fair market value of \$503.8 million and a cost basis of \$477.0 million. Senior secured debt investments represented 41.5% of the portfolio, subordinated debt investments represented 38.1% of the portfolio, equity/warrant investments represented 16.4% of the portfolio, and the investment in Capitala Senior Liquid Loan Fund I, LLC represented 4.0% of the portfolio, based on fair values at September 30, 2016.

At September 30, 2016, we had debt investments in two portfolio companies on non-accrual status with a fair value and cost basis of \$9.5 million and \$13.3 million, respectively. At December 31, 2015, the fair value and cost basis of non-accrual investments was \$28.0 million and \$47.1 million, respectively.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

At September 30, 2016, the Company had \$60.6 million in cash and cash equivalents. In addition, the Company had SBA debentures outstanding totaling \$170.7 million with an annual weighted average interest rate of 3.29%, and \$113.4 million of fixed rate notes bearing an interest rate of 7.125%. At September 30, 2016, the Company had \$38.0 million outstanding and \$82.0 million available under its senior secured revolving credit facility, which is priced at LIBOR plus 3.0% and matures on October 17, 2018.

Subsequent Events

On November 3, 2016, the Company invested \$22.5 million in the senior secured debt of Vintage Stock, Inc. The senior secured debt has a cash rate of LIBOR + 12.5% with a 0.5% floor and PIK rate of 3.0%.

Third Quarter 2016 Financial Results Conference Call

Management will host a conference call to discuss the operating and financial results at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday November 9, 2016. To participate in the conference call, please dial 1-877-312-5507 approximately 10 minutes prior to the call. A live webcast of the conference will be available at http://investor.CapitalaGroup.com.

About Capitala Finance Corp.

Capitala Finance Corp. is a business development company that invests primarily in traditional mezzanine, senior subordinated and unitranche debt, as well as senior and second-lien loans and, to lesser extent, equity securities issued by lower and traditional middle-market companies. The Company is managed by Capitala Investment Advisors, LLC. For more information on Capitala, or to automatically receive email notifications of Company financial information, press releases, stock alerts, or other corporate filings, please visit the Investor Relations section of our website at www.CapitalaGroup.com.

About Capitala Group

Capitala Group is a leading provider of capital to lower and traditional middle market companies, through its family of credit focused funds. Since 1998, Capitala Group's managed funds have participated in over 133 transactions, representing over \$1.2 billion of investments in a variety of industries throughout North America. Capitala Group manages both public capital (Capitala Finance Corp.) (Nasdaq:CPTA) and private capital (Capitala Private Credit Fund V, LP) and CapitalSouth Partners SBIC Fund IV, LP) for institutional and individual investors, and seeks to partner with strong management teams to create value and serve as long term partners. For more information, please visit www.CapitalaGroup.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements. Words such as "believes," "intends," "expects," "projects," "anticipates," and "future" or similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, condition or results and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors, including those described from time to time in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required by law.

SOURCE: Capitala Finance Corp.

Capitala Finance Corp. Stephen Arnall, Chief Financial Officer 704-376-5502 sarnall@capitalagroup.com

Capitala Finance Corp. Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities (in thousands, except share and per share data)

		As of			
		tember 30, 2016	December 31, 2015		
ACCETC	(u	naudited)			
ASSETS					
Investments at fair value					
Non-control/non-affiliate investments (amortized cost of \$335,285 and \$391,031, respectively)	\$	341,851	\$	404,513	
Affiliate investments (amortized cost of \$40,896 and \$99,290, respectively)		62,017		117,350	
Control investments (amortized cost of \$100,773 and \$79,866, respectively)		99,912		70,593	
Total investments at fair value (amortized cost of \$476,954 and \$570,187, respectively)		503,780		592,456	
Cash and cash equivalents		60,584		34,105	
Interest and dividend receivable		5,139		5,390	
Due from related parties		200		256	
Prepaid expenses		181		503	
Other assets		116		108	
Total assets	\$	570,000	\$	632,818	
LIABILITIES					
SBA debentures (net of deferred financing costs of \$3,060 and \$3,537, respectively)	\$	167,640	\$	180,663	
Notes (net of deferred financing costs of \$3,168 and \$3,583, respectively)	•	110,270	•	109,855	
Credit Facility (net of deferred financing costs of \$927 and \$1,649, respectively)		37,073		68,351	
Due to related parties		- /		6	
Management and incentive fee payable		4,718		1,687	
Interest and financing fees payable		924		2,987	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		80		467	
Written call option at fair value		918		-	
Total liabilities	\$	321,623	\$	364,016	
Commitments and contingencies					
NET ASSETS					
Common stock, par value \$.01, 100,000,000 common shares authorized, 15,844,159 and 15,777,345					
common shares issued and outstanding, respectively		158		158	
Additional paid in capital		239,917		239,104	
Undistributed net investment income		8,570		8,570	
Accumulated net realized loss from investments		(26,196)		(1,299)	
Net unrealized appreciation on investments		26,826		22,269	
Net unrealized depreciation on written call option		(898)		-	
Total net assets		248,377		268,802	
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	570,000	\$	632,818	
Net asset value per share	\$	15.68	\$	17.04	
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Capitala Finance Corp. Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands, except share and per share data) (unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30			For the Nine Months Ended September 30				
		2016		2015		2016		2015
INVESTMENT INCOME		_	_				-	
Interest and fee income:								
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments	\$	10,520	\$	11,948	\$	31,870	\$	29,139
Affiliate investments		1,150		2,675		4,754		9,347
Control investments		3,545		1,285		8,681		4,010
Total interest and fee income		15,215		15,908		45,305		42,496
Payment-in-kind interest and dividend income:								
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments		1,176		758		2,966		1,447
Affiliate investments		101		612		293		1,263
Control investments		241		227		707		848
Total payment-in-kind interest and dividend income		1,518		1,597		3,966		3,558
Dividend income:								
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments		-		154		206		462
Affiliate investments		29		29		86		86
Control investments		545		615		2,135		823
Total dividend income		574		798		2,427		1,371
Other Income		42		_		85		-
Interest income from cash and cash equivalents		8		1		15		4
Total investment income	•	17,357		18,304		51,798		47,429
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EXPENSES								
Interest and financing expenses		4,938		4,809		14,990		14,126
Base management fee		2,619		2,781		8,049		7,778
Incentive fees		1,782		1,946		5,155		4,457
General and administrative expenses		889		981		2,984		3,148
Expenses before incentive fee waiver		10,228		10,517		31,178	_	29,509
Incentive fee waiver		(312)		-		(1,673)		-
Total expenses, net of incentive fee waiver		9,916		10,517		29,505		29,509
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NET INVESTMENT INCOME		7,441		7,787		22,293		17,920
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REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS AND WRITTEN CALL OPTION:								
Net realized gain (loss) from investments:								
Non-control/Non-affiliate investments		1,192		1,605		1,261		9,304
Affiliate investments		(18,222)		(12,847)		(26,303)		(5,750)
Control investments		<u>-</u>		(4,795)		145		5,586
Total realized gain (loss) from investments		(17,030)		(16,037)		(24,897)		9,140
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments		8,474		16,208		4,557		(4,293)
Net unrealized depreciation on written call option		(898)		-		(898)		
Net gain (loss) on investments and written call option		(9,454)		171		(21,238)		4,847
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS RESULTING								
FROM OPERATIONS	\$	(2,013)	\$	7,958	\$	1,055	\$	22,767
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NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS PER SHARE RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS – BASIC AND DILUTED	\$	(0.13)	\$	0.49	\$	0.07	\$	1.52
WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON STOCK OUTSTANDING –								
BASIC AND DILUTED		15,829,878		16,088,979		15,807,801		15,018,537
DISTRIBUTIONS PAID PER SHARE	\$	0.47	\$	0.62	\$	1.41	\$	1.76
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DISTRIBUTIONS PAYABLE PER SHARE	\$	-	\$	0.15	\$	-	\$	0.15