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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Diamond Michael

Symbol

Ares Commercial Real Estate Corp

[ACRE]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

06/26/2013

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O ARES COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE CORP., ONE NORTH WACKER DRIVE, 48TH FLOOR

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Issuer

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount Price (D)

Common Stock

06/26/2013

2,921 (1)

\$0 9.948

D

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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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Diamond Michael C/O ARES COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE CORP. ONE NORTH WACKER DRIVE, 48TH FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60606



Signatures

/s/Monica J. Shilling, by power of attorney 06/28/2013

**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).

Represents a grant of restricted stock pursuant to the Company's 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. The shares of restricted stock are scheduled (1) to vest ratably on a quarterly basis over a one-year period on the first business day of each fiscal quarter commencing with the fiscal quarter beginning July 1, 2013.

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