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Guidance: Ares 5-Year Reopening

Guidance: 4.30% Area (+/- 5bps)

Issuer: Ares Capital Corporation (ARCC)

Format: SEC Registered - Senior Unsecured

Size: \$100mm

Coupon: 4.875%

Maturity: 5-year (11/30/2018)

Bookrunners: BAML/JPM/BARC

Min Denoms: \$2k x \$1k

MWC: T+50 basis points

Settlement: T+3 (1/28/14)

Timing: Today s business

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