

NewStar Financial, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
April 21, 2008

**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**

**April 18, 2008**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)**

**NewStar Financial, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**001-33211**  
(Commission File Number)

**54-2157878**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

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**500 Boylston Street, Suite 1600, Boston, MA 02116**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)  
**(617) 848-2500**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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

**ITEM 1.01. ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.**

On April 18, 2008, NewStar Financial, Inc. (the Company ) entered into the Second Amended and Restated Sale and Servicing Agreement (the Agreement ) by and among NewStar CP Funding LLC, as the seller, the Company, as the originator and the servicer, Wachovia Bank, National Association, as the swingline purchaser, each of the conduit purchasers and each of the institutional purchasers from time to time party thereto together with the swingline purchaser, as purchasers, each of the purchaser agents from time to time party thereto, as the purchaser agents, Wachovia Capital Markets LLC, as the administrative agent and as the WBNA agent, and U.S. Bank National Association as the trustee and Lyon Financial Services, Inc. as backup servicer. The Agreement, among other things, extends the maturity of the credit facility to April 15, 2011 from August 4, 2010, completes the 2008 annual liquidity renewal, and incorporates an accordion feature, which will allow for potential future expansion of the facility up to \$750 million.

**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.

**NEWSTAR FINANCIAL INC.**

Date: April 21, 2008

By: /s/ JOHN K. BRAY  
**John K. Bray**  
**Chief Financial Officer**