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

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

[] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 $\,$ obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

(Pr	int or Type Responses)								
1.	Name and Address of Reporting Person*								
	Badillo	Herman							
	(Last)	(First)		(Middle)					
	c/o Asta Funding, Inc.	, 210 Sylvan Ave	nue						
		(Street)							
	Englewood Cliffs	NJ		07632					
	(City)	(State)		(Zip)					
2.	Issuer Name and Ticker	or Trading Symbo	1						
	Asta Funding, Inc. (Na	sdaqNM: ASFI)							
3.	I.R.S. Identification	Number of Reporti	ng Pers	son, if an entity (Voluntary)					
4.	Statement for Month/Da	y/Year							
	February 14, 2003 March 3, 2003								
5.	If Amendment, Date of	Original (Month/D	ay/Year	-)					
6.	Relationship of Report	ing Person(s) to	Issuer	(Check all applicable)					
	<pre>[X] Director [] Officer (give tit</pre>	le below)		10% Owner Other (specify below)					
7.	Individual or Joint/Gr	oup Filing (Check	Applio	cable Line)					
	_	e Reporting Person re than One Report	ing Per	rson					
===		or Beneficially	ies Acc	quired, Disposed of,					

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	2. Trans-	2A. Deemed Execution	3. Transac Code	tion	4. Securities Acc Disposed of (I	0)	(A) or
1.		Date, if	(Instr.	8)		(A)	
Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Date (mm/dd/yy)	any (mm/dd/yy)	Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	2/14/2003		М		6,000	A	\$ 5.00
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	3/3/2003		S		3,000	D	\$16.00
*If the form is filed by n		=======================================		=====	+ must i on 1 (b) (c		========

^{*}If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v)

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)

1. Title of	2. Conversion or Exercise Price 3. of Trans- Derivaction	3A. 4. Deemed Trans- Execut- action ion Code Date, (Instr.	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount or			
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ative Secur- ity	Date (mm/dd/ yy)	if any (mm/dd/ yy)	8) Code V	4 and		Date Exer- cisable	Expira- tion Date	Title	Number of Shares
Stock option (right to buy)	\$5.00	2/14/ 2003		М		6,000	(1)	11/17/ 2005	Common Stock	6,000

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Explanation of Responses:

(1) The options are currently exercisable.

Herman Badillo

By: /s/Herman Badillo March 4, 2003

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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