Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. Form 8-K August 21, 2014

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): August 19, 2014

APOLLO COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE FINANCE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction

001-34452 (Commission File **27-0467113** (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Number)

Identification Number)

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c/o Apollo Global Management, LLC

9 West 57th Street, 43rd Floor

New York, New York

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 515-3200

n/a

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

On August 19, 2014, Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. (the Company), through an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, entered into an amendment letter related to the master repurchase agreement with Deutsche Bank AG (as amended, the DB Facility) to increase the maximum permitted borrowing under the DB Facility from \$225.0 million to \$250.0 million. Such maximum may be increased by \$25.0 million no more than two times at the Company s request.

SIGNATURE

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.

August 21, 2014

APOLLO COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE

FINANCE, INC.

/s/ Stuart A. Rothstein Stuart A. Rothstein President and Chief Executive Officer