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

## FORM N-6F

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ELECT TO BE SUBJECT TO SECTIONS 55 THROUGH 65 OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940

The undersigned hereby notifies the Securities and Exchange Commission that it intends to file a notification of election to be subject to sections 55 through 65 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, (the "Act") and in connection with such notice submits the following information:

Name: Fifth Street Finance Corp.

Address of Principal Business Office: White Plains Plaza

445 Hamilton Avenue, Suite 1206

White Plains, NY 10601

**Telephone Number:** (914) 286-6800

Name and Address of AgentLeonard M. TannenbaumFor Service of Process:Fifth Street Finance Corp.

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The undersigned hereby notifies the Securities and Exchange Commission that it intends to file a notification of election to be subject to sections 55 through 65 of the Act within ninety days of this filing. The company would be excluded from the definition of an investment company by section 3(c)(1) of the Act, except that it presently proposes to make a public offering of its securities as a business development company.

## **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of section 6(f) of the Act, the undersigned company has caused this notice of intent to elect to be subject to sections 55 through 65 of the Act pursuant to section 54(a) of the Act to be duly executed on its behalf in the city of White Plains and the State of New York on the 12th day of October, 2007.

Fifth Street Finance Corp.

By: /s/ Leonard M. Tannenbaum

Name: Leonard M. Tannenbaum Title: Chief Executive Officer

Attest: /s/ William H. Craig

Name: William H. Craig Title: Chief Financial Officer