LaunchPAD Programme

Supplementary Prospectus dated 18 June 2013

FIRST SUPPLEMENT TO THE BASE PROSPECTUS IN RESPECT OF THE LAUNCHPAD PROGRAMME FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TURBOS



THE ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND PLC

(incorporated in Scotland with limited liability under the Companies Acts 1948 to 1980, registered number SC090312)

(the "Issuer" and "RBS")

The Royal Bank of Scotland plc LaunchPAD Programme (the "Programme")

- This supplement dated 18 June 2013 (this "Supplement") constitutes the first supplement to the base prospectus dated 24 May 2013 in relation to the Issuer's LaunchPAD Programme for the issuance of Turbos approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Stichting Autoriteit Financiële Markten*, the "AFM") on 24 May 2013 (the "Base Prospectus").
- 2 The Base Prospectus was approved as a base prospectus pursuant to Directive 2003/71/EC (and amendments thereto, including Directive 2010/73/EU) (the "**Prospectus Directive**") by the AFM. This Supplement constitutes a supplemental prospectus to the Base Prospectus for the purposes of Article 5:23 of the Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het financieel toezicht*).
- 3 This Supplement is supplemental to, and should be read in conjunction with, the Base Prospectus and any other supplements thereto issued by the Issuer. Terms defined in the Base Prospectus have the same meanings when used in this Supplement.
- 4 In accordance with Article 5:23(6) of the Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het financieel toezicht*), investors who have agreed to purchase or subscribe for securities issued under the Base Prospectus before this Supplement is published have the right, exercisable before the end of the period of two working days beginning with the working day after the date on which this Supplement was published, to withdraw their acceptances.

- The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Supplement. To the best of the knowledge of the Issuer (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in this Supplement is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.
- 6 On 12 June 2013, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group published via the Regulatory News Service of the London Stock Exchange plc a press release entitled "Stephen Hester to Leave RBS" (the "12 June RNS").
- By virtue of this Supplement, the 12 June RNS shall be incorporated in, and form part of, the Base Prospectus.
- RBS recently announced that it will be refocusing its Markets division to concentrate on its core wholesale fixed income product strengths across rates, currencies, asset-backed products and credit and debt capital markets. As part of this exercise, RBS plans to exit all structured retail investor products (which includes new primary market issuance of products offered to retail investors under the Base Prospectus), equity derivatives (other than liquid equity index products within its Dynamic Strategies and Hybrids businesses), as well as peripheral market-making activities. The businesses that RBS plans to exit will be transferred to a business unit of RBS managed in the Markets division where it is intended that they will be divested through a sales process or otherwise exited through a managed wind-down process. RBS intends to continue to provide secondary market liquidity for all relevant products where it is legally or contractually required to do so. The Exchange Traded Product business will, for the time being, continue to issue certain products during the sales process. Save for Exchange Traded Products, primary market transactions will only be executed on an exceptions basis.

RBS remains committed to meeting its existing obligations to its customers.

- A copy of this Supplement, the Base Prospectus and all other supplements thereto and all documents incorporated by reference in the Base Prospectus are accessible on http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive or http://markets.rbs.com/launchpad and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group Investor Relations, 280 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 207 672 1758, e-mail investor.relations@rbs.com.
- 10 If the documents which are incorporated by reference in the Base Prospectus by virtue of this Supplement themselves incorporate any information or other documents therein, either expressly or implicitly, such information or other documents will not form part of the Base Prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive except where such information or other documents are specifically incorporated by reference in, or attached to, the Base Prospectus by virtue of this Supplement.
- 11 To the extent that there is any inconsistency between (a) any statement in this Supplement and (b) any other statement in the Base Prospectus or any previous supplement to the Base Prospectus, the statements referred to in (a) above will prevail.
- 12 Save as disclosed in any previous supplement to any of the Base Prospectus or this Supplement, no other significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to information included in the Base Prospectus (as supplemented at the date hereof) has arisen or has been noted since the publication of the Base Prospectus.

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