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RBS PLC LAUNCHES FIVE RBS ROGERS ENHANCED EXCHANGE TRADED NOTES

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RBS Securities Inc. (RBSSI) today announced the launch of five exchange traded products in its growing suite of exchange traded notes (ETNs). The RBS Rogers Enhanced Commodity Exchange Traded Notes will be issued by The Royal Bank of Scotland plc (RBS plc) and will be listed on the NYSE Arca, Inc.

"We are pleased to announce the launch of the five RBS Rogers Enhanced ETNs which feature the combined experience of RBS and Wall Street investor Jim Rogers," said Thomas Haines, Head of North American Custom Indices and Listed Products. "We believe these new ETNs offer investors a unique opportunity to get exposure to the innovative RICI EnhancedSM Indices."

The following are the new RBS Rogers ETNs and their exchange ticker symbols.

- RBS Rogers Enhanced Commodity(RGRC) ETN
- · RBS Rogers Agriculture ETN (RGRA)
- · RBS Rogers Enhanced Energy(RGRE) ETN
- RBS Rogers Enhanced Industrial(RGRI) Metals ETN
- RBS Rogers Enhanced Precious(RGRP) Metals ETN

The RBS Rogers ETNs track specific RICI EnhancedSM Indices, each of which are rules-based commodity indices that provide exposure to certain commodities in the futures market. The RICI EnhancedSM Indices, developed by RBS and Wall Street investor Jim Rogers in October 2007, attempt to track price changes for commodities in one or all of the following sectors, depending on the particular index being tracked: energy, industrial metals, precious metals and agriculture.

The RBS Rogers ETNs are designed for investors who seek exposure to indices that provide commodity exposure on the basis of expected economic global demand. The Indices provide exposure to futures contracts with varying maturities and seek to maximize returns when there are significant price differences between near-dated and future-dated

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commodity contracts. A special rollover calendar is defined for each commodity to address certain conditions such as term structure, seasonality and liquidity.

Payment on the ETNs is linked to the performance of the applicable RICI EnhancedSM Index, less an investor fee that is deducted at an annualized rate of 0.95%. Investors have the right to require RBS plc to repurchase the ETNs on a daily basis, subject to a minimum repurchase requirement. RBS plc, at its sole discretion, may also redeem the ETNs at any time prior to maturity.

The final pricing supplement can be found on the SEC website at:

http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/729153/000095010312005697/dp33796 424b5-rici.htm

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The Royal Bank of Scotland Group (RBS)

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RBS plc and The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc (RBS Group) have filed a registration statement (including a prospectus) with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for the offering of RBS ETNs to which this communication relates. Before you invest in any RBS ETNs, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement and other documents that have been filed by RBS plc and RBS Group with the SEC for more complete information about RBS plc and RBS Group, and the offering. You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC's web site at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, RBS plc, RBS Securities Inc. (RBSSI) or any dealer participating in the offering will arrange to send you the prospectus and the pricing supplement at no charge if you

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request it by calling 1-855-RBS-ETPS (toll-free).

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