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ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND PLC Form 424B5 July 25, 2011

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Maximum Aggregate
Offering Price

Amount of Registration Fee

Title of Each Class of Securities Offered

\$1,649,000

\$191.45

Retail Corporate Notes

(1) Calculated in accordance with Rule 457(r) of the Securities Act of 1933

Filed under Rule 424(b)(5), Registration Statement Nos. 333-162219, 333-162219-01 Final Pricing Supplement No. 96 – dated July 25, 2011 (to: Prospectus dated May 18, 2010 and Prospectus Supplement dated September 20, 2010)

| | | | | | | | | dated September | 20, 2010) | |
|------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|-------------------------------|---------------|--|
| | Aggregate Price | | | | | | 1st | | | |
| | CUSIP | Principal | toSelling Net | Coupon | Coupon | Coupon | Maturity | 1st Coup Coup Survivor' | s Product | |
| | Number | Amount | Publimis Proceeds | Type | Rate | Frequency | Date | Date Amou@ption | Ranking | |
| | 78011RCV | 3\$1,649,000 | 100%70%1,620,967 | FIXED | 4.35% | MONTHLY | 707/15/2018 | 308/15/20 1 \$12.05 NO | SENIOR | |
| (Per | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Annum) | | | | | | | | | |

Redemption Information: Non-Callable/Non-Puttable

Lead Manager and Lead Agent: RBS Securities Inc.

The Royal Bank of Scotland

plc

Offering Dates: 07/18/2011 through 07/25/2011

The Royal Bank of Trade Date: 07/25/2011 @ 12:00 PM ET

Scotland plc
Settlement Date: 07/28/2011

Minimum Denomination/Increments: \$1,000.00/\$1,000.00

Retail Corporate

Motes
Guaranteed in full by The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc
Initial trades settle flat and clear SDFS: DTC Book-Entry only
DTC Number 2230 via RBS Securities Inc.

The Royal Bank of
Scotland plc
Retail Corporate
Prospectus dated
May 18, 2010
and Prospectus

Supplement dated

If the maturity date or an interest payment date for any note is not September 20, 2010 a business day (as that term is defined in the prospectus

supplement), principal, premium, if any, and interest for that note is paid on the next business day, and no interest will accrue from,

and after, the maturity date or interest payment date.