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

#### FORM T-1

## STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

Check if an Application to Determine Eligibility of a Trustee Pursuant to Section 305(b)(2) X

#### WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

(Exact name of Trustee as specified in its charter)

Delaware (Jurisdiction of incorporation of organization if not a (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

U.S. national bank)

51-0055023

1100 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19890-0001 (302) 651-1000

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Michael A. DiGregorio Senior Vice President and General Counsel Wilmington Trust Company 1100 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19890-0001 (302) 651-8793

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent of service)

The Royal Bank of Scotland plc (Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

United Kingdom (State or other jurisdiction or incorporation or organization)

Not Applicable (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

RBS Gogarburn, PO Box 1000 Edinburgh EH12 1HQ United Kingdom (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc (Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

United Kingdom (State or other jurisdiction or incorporation or organization) Not Applicable (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

RBS Gogarburn, PO Box 1000
Edinburgh EH12 1HQ
United Kingdom
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Retail Corporate Notes and Guarantees of Retail Corporate Notes (Title of the indenture securities)

#### ITEM 1.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Federal Reserve Bank of

State Bank Commissioner

Philadelphia

Ten Independence Mall 555 East Lockerman Street,

Suite 210

Philadelphia, PA 19106-1574 Dover, Delaware 19901

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

The trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

#### ITEM 2.

### AFFILIATIONS WITH THE OBLIGOR.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each affiliation:

Based upon an examination of the books and records of the trustee and information available to the trustee, the obligor is not an affiliate of the trustee.

#### ITEM 16.

#### LIST OF EXHIBITS.

Listed below are all exhibits filed as part of this Statement of Eligibility and Qualification.

- Exhibit 1. Copy of the Charter of Wilmington Trust Company:
- Exhibit 2 Certificate of Authority of Wilmington Trust Company to commence business included in Exhibit 1 above.
- Exhibit 3 Authorization of Wilmington Trust Company to exercise corporate trust powers included in Exhibit 1 above.
- Exhibit 4. Copy of By-Laws of Wilmington Trust Company.
- Exhibit 5. Not applicable
- Exhibit 6. Consent of Wilmington Trust Company required by Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act.
- Exhibit 7. Copy of most recent Report of Condition of Wilmington Trust Company.
- Exhibit 8. Not applicable.
- Exhibit 9. Not applicable.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the trustee, Wilmington Trust Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, has duly caused this Statement of Eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware on the 20th day of September, 2010.

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WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

Attest: /s/ Michael H. Wass
Assistant Secretary
By: /s/ Mary C. St. Amand
Name: Mary C. St. Amand

Title: Vice President