

NATIONAL RURAL UTILITIES COOPERATIVE FINANCE CORP /DC/
 Form 424B3
 June 10, 2013

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| CUSIP | Number | Principal Amount | Selling Price | Gross Concession | Net Proceeds | Coupon Type | Coupon Rate | Coupon Frequency | Maturity Date | 1st Coupon Date | 1st Coupon Amount | Survival Option |
|-----------|--------|------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 63743FRN8 | 000000 | 100% | 100% | 1.800% | 100% | Fixed | 2.500% | MONTHLY | 12/15/2022 | 07/15/2013 | \$1.74 | Yes |

Redemption Information: Non-Callable

National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corp
 Offering Dates: Monday, June 10, 2013 through Monday, June 17, 2013 @ 12:00 PM ET
 Trade Date: Monday, June 17, 2013
 Settlement Date: Thursday, June 20, 2013
 Minimum Denomination/Increments: \$1,000.00/\$1,000.00
 Initial trades settle flat and clear SDFS: DTC Book Entry only
 DTC number: 0235 via RBC Dain Rauscher Inc.
 Agents: Citigroup, Comerica Securities, J.J.B. Hilliard, W.L. Lyons, Inc., Morgan Stanley, UBS Investment Bank, Wells Fargo
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 If the maturity date or an interest payment date for any note is not a Business Day (as term is defined in Prospectus), 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.

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