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Date: October 25, 2011

Re: RBS Global Big Pharma Exchange-Traded Notes

Pursuant to Rule 14.1(j)(2) of the Rules of BATS Exchange, Inc. and 14.1(c)(2) of the Rules of BATS Y-Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange"), this Information Circular is being issued to advise you that the following securities have been approved for trading on the Exchange as UTP Derivative Securities pursuant to Chapter XIV of the Exchange's Rules.

Security ("Notes")

Symbol

RBS Global Big Pharma Exchange-Traded Notes

DRGS

Commencement of Trading on the Exchange: October 26, 2011

Issuer/Trust: Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.

Issuer Website: www.rbs.com/etnus/DRGS

Primary Listing Exchange: NYSE Arca

Primary Exchange Circular: RB-11-130

Registration Statement: Nos. 333-162219 and 333-162219-01

The purpose of this information circular is to outline various rules and policies that will be applicable to trading in this new product on the Exchange, as well as to provide certain characteristics and features of the Notes.

Background Information on the Notes

The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. (the "Issuer") has issued Exchange Traded Notes ("ETNs" or "Notes") linked to the NYSE Arca Equal Weighted Pharmaceutical Total Return Index (the "Index"). The Notes were priced at \$25. The ETNs do not pay any interest during their term and do not guarantee any return of principal at maturity or upon redemption.

The return on the ETNs will be based on the performance of the Index during the term of the ETNs. The Index is calculated and published by NYSE Arca, Inc. (the "Index Sponsor" and the "Index calculation agent"). The Index is comprised of equity securities of a cross-section of companies involved in various phases of development, production and marketing of pharmaceuticals, with the component securities represented in approximately equal dollar amounts. In addition, the Index is a total return index, which means that the level of the Index takes into account the cash dividends paid, if any, on the Index components.

If the ETNs have not previously been repurchased or redeemed by the Issuer, at maturity investors will receive a cash payment equal to the daily redemption value of the ETNs on the final valuation date (subject to postponement if the final valuation date is not a trading day or a market disruption event exists on the final valuation date).

The daily redemption value as of the inception date is equal to the stated face amount of \$25.00 per ETN. For any valuation date thereafter, the daily redemption value per ETN is equal to (a) the daily redemption value on the immediately preceding valuation date, multiplied by (b) the index factor on such valuation date, multiplied by (c) the fee factor on such valuation date. RBS Securities Inc. (the "calculation agent") will determine the daily redemption value on each valuation date.

If the daily redemption value per ETN equals zero, the ETNs will be automatically accelerated on such day and will cease to be outstanding thereafter. In such event, investors will not receive any payment in respect of their investment and will lose their entire investment in the ETNs.

The index factor on any valuation date, including the final valuation date, will be equal to the Index closing level on such valuation date, divided by the Index closing level on the immediately preceding valuation date.

The fee factor on any valuation date, including the final valuation date, will be equal to one minus the investor fee, which is the product of (a) the annual investor fee and (b) the day-count fraction. The annual investor fee will be equal to 0.60% per annum.

Please see the prospectus for the Notes for more details regarding the calculations and details.

It is expected that the market value of the Notes will depend substantially on the value of the Index and may be affected by a number of other interrelated factors including, among other things: the general level of interest rates, the volatility of the Index, the time remaining to maturity, the dividend yield of the stocks comprising the Index, and the credit ratings of the Issuer.

Exchange Rules Applicable to Trading in the Notes

Trading in the Notes on BATS is subject to BATS equity trading rules.

Trading Hours

The Notes will trade on BATS between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. ET.

Please note that trading in the Notes during the Exchange's Pre-Opening and After Hours Trading Sessions may result in additional trading risks which include: (1) that the current underlying indicative value may not be updated during the Pre-Opening and After Hours Trading Sessions, (2) lower liquidity in the Pre-Opening and After Hours Trading Sessions may impact pricing, (3) higher volatility in the Pre-Opening and After Hours Trading Sessions may impact pricing, (4) wider spreads may occur in the Pre-Opening and After Hours Trading Sessions, and (5) because the indicative value is not calculated or widely disseminated during the Pre-Opening or After Hours Trading Sessions, an investor who is unable to calculate an implied value for the Shares in those sessions may be at a disadvantage to market professionals.

Suitability

Trading in the securities on BATS will be subject to the provisions of Exchange Rule 3.7. Members recommending transactions in the securities to customers should make a determination that the recommendation is suitable for the customer. Members should adopt appropriate procedures for the opening and maintaining of accounts, including the maintaining of records prescribed by any applicable regulatory organization and by the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Trading Halts

BATS will halt trading in the shares of a security in accordance with BATS Rule 14.1(c)(4). The grounds for a halt under BATS Rule 14.1(c)(4) include a halt by the primary market because the intraday indicative value of the security and/or the value of its underlying index are not being disseminated as required, or a

halt for other regulatory reasons. In addition, BATS will stop trading the shares of a security if the primary market de-lists the security.

This Information Circular is not a statutory prospectus. BATS Members should consult the prospectus for a security and the security's website for relevant information.

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