



Le 25 septembre 2007 – Publication d'un amendement au formulaire F-4

Fortis, RBS et Santander (collectivement "les Banques"), ont déposé publiquement ce jour un amendement au Formulaire F-4 auprès de la SEC. Le Formulaire F-4 a été déposé pour la première fois le 20 juillet 2007 dans le cadre de l'offre des Banques sur ABN AMRO. Les amendements au Formulaire F-4 apportent des détails supplémentaires relatifs aux évolutions qui ont été annoncées par les Banques au cours de ces dernières semaines telles que les modifications ayant trait à l'accord obtenu auprès du Ministre néerlandais des Finances et les avancées au niveau du financement de l'offre. Les amendements comprennent également une mise à jour concernant les approbations par les autorités de contrôle.

Des exemplaires des documents relatifs à l'offre, ou de tout autre document auquel il y est fait référence, peuvent être obtenus gratuitement, sous réserve des restrictions également applicables à l'offre, auprès de l'agent de change néerlandais ou de l'agence d'information internationale aux adresses et numéros de téléphone ci-dessous.

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Important Information

This announcement is made pursuant to article 9b(1) of the Dutch Decree on the Supervision of the Securities Trade 1995.

In connection with the offer for ABN AMRO, RBS has filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Registration Statement on Form F-4, which includes a preliminary version of the prospectus, and the Banks have filed with the SEC a Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO and other relevant materials. The Form F-4 has not yet become effective. INVESTORS ARE URGED TO READ ANY DOCUMENTS REGARDING THE OFFER BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. Investors may obtain a copy of such documents without charge, at the SEC's website (<http://www.sec.gov/>). Copies of all documents filed in connection with the offer may also be obtained from each Bank, without charge.

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