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DATE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2013

SUBJECT: BARCLAYS PLC - RIGHTS DISTRIBUTION

OPTION SYMBOL: BCS NEW SYMBOL: BCS1

**DATE: 9/19/13** 

\* \* \* UPDATE TO SETTLEMENT ALLOCATION\* \* \*

Barclays PLC (BCS) has declared a Rights distribution to BCS American Depositary Shareholders, as described below:

RIGHTS: Transferable Rights (Rights) to purchase one Barclays PLC (BCS) American

Depositary Share for each whole Right.

PRICE: \$12.34 per new BCS ADS

DISTRIBUTION

RATIO: One (1) transferable ADS Right per every 4 BCS American Depositary

Shares.

RECORD DATE: September 13, 2013

EXPIRATION: October 1, 2013

SUBSCRIPTION

AGENT: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

GUARANTY PERIOD: NONE

Barclays PLC ADS Rights will begin trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) under the symbol BCS RT on September 18, 2013. It is anticipated that the ADS Rights will be suspended from trading on NYSE before the opening on September 26, 2013.

### **CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT**

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 19, 2013

OPTION SYMBOL: BCS becomes BCS1

STRIKE DIVISOR: 1

CONTRACT MULTIPLIER:

NEW MULTIPLIER: 100 (e.g., a premium of 1.50 yields \$150)

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NEW DELIVERABLE

PER CONTRACT 1) 100 Barclays PLC (BCS) American Depositary Shares

2) 25 Barclays PLC ADS Rights (BCS RT) to Purchase Barclays PLC

(BCS) American Depositary Shares as described above

SETTLEMENT

ALLOCATION: BCS: 90% BCS RT: 10%

CUSIPS: BCS: 06738E204

BCS RT: 06738E121

The allocation of the aggregate strike price amount is being provided solely for the purpose of the interface between OCC and the National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCC), and is not intended to be used for any other purpose, transaction or customer account statements.

NOTE: It is anticipated that the ADS Rights will cease trading on NYSE after the close of business on September 25, 2013. The Rights are expected to expire on October 1, 2013. The BCS RT component of adjusted option BCS1 will remain part of the BCS1 deliverable until the Rights have expired. Once the expiration of the Rights has been confirmed, the BCS RT component will be removed from the BCS1 deliverable. This change to the deliverables is expected to be effective on October 2, 2013.

### **PRICING**

The underlying price for BCS1 will be determined as follows:

BCS1 = BCS + 0.25 (BCS RT)

### **DELIVERY SETTLEMENT AND PROTECT PROVISIONS**

Option contracts which are exercised, and physically-settled security Option contracts which mature, will require the settlement of all component securities included in the contract deliverable at the time of the option contract exercise, including rights, warrants, or similar instruments. Additional entitlements (such as due bills, eligibility to participate in tender offers, elections, etc.) may also automatically attach to securities deliverable upon option exercise. Conversely, exercised calls and or matured Option contracts may be unable to realize the benefit of securities or entitlements **not** associated to the contract deliverable at the time of the option exercise or Option contract maturity.

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#### SPECIAL RISKS

### **Call Holders/ Put Writers**

As a result of the adjustment described above, the Rights will be part of the adjusted BCS1 options deliverable, but only until the Rights expire. When the Rights expire, they will become worthless and any value the Rights had will be lost. As a result, holders of in-the-money calls may be disadvantaged unless they exercise in sufficient time to obtain the Rights. After the Rights expire, holders of short put positions who are assigned will be required to purchase BCS stock whose value may have been substantially diminished by the Rights distribution.

## **Uncovered Short Obligations**

Holders of assigned calls or exercised puts, and holders of short positions in physically-settled security Option at maturity who do not possess the underlying security at the time of assignment or exercise are subject to special risk. Suspension of trading of the underlying security, inability to borrow the security, or similar events may preclude the possibility of effecting timely delivery, thereby exposing persons with an obligation to deliver to liability if timely delivery is not effected (See Delivery Settlement and Protect Provisions above).

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### CATEGORY: CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT

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