# **COMPANY NO. 01124733**

# ROYAL BANK OF CANADA HOLDINGS (U.K.) LIMITED

# **ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2010



#### For the year ended 31 October 2010

### **REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS**

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2010

### Principal activities and state of affairs

The Company is a holding company incorporated in England and Wales. Its subsidiaries provide a range of banking and other financial services, primarily in the United Kingdom, as part of the international activities of Royal Bank of Canada.

The company's principal subsidiary is Royal Bank of Canada Europe Limited, an authorised bank, which is primarily engaged in corporate and investment banking activities. The company is taking advantage of the small companies exemptions under section 415A of the Companies Act 2006, in preparing the directors report

During the year the Company issued 1,000,000 shares at £1 each to the parent company RBC Finance B V. The Company is deemed to have minimal Credit, Liquidity and Market Risk

#### Results and dividends

The profit on ordinary activities after taxation for the year ended 31 October 2010 of £281,000 (2009 £1,408,000) was transferred to reserves

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2009 £nil)

#### **Future prospects**

The activities of the company are expected to continue in a similar manner for the foreseeable future

### Statement of Going Concern

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position are set out above. The financial position of the Company is set out in the financial statements. In addition, note 11 to the financial statements includes the Company's objectives, policies and processes for managing its capital, its financial risk management objectives, and its exposures to credit risk, market risk and liquidity risk.

The Company has adequate financial resources As a consequence, the Directors believe that the Company is well placed to manage its business risks successfully despite the current uncertain economic outlook

After making enquiries, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts

### For the year ended 31 October 2010

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

### Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally. Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- · state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions

#### **Directors**

The following served as directors of the company throughout the year

J W Burbidge C A McManus (Resigned 18/02/2011) P Egan (appointed 13/07/2010)

## Third Party Indemnities

During the financial year, the Company's directors benefited from qualifying third party indemnities granted by the Company's parent Royal Bank of Canada indemnifying the directors against habilities and associated costs, which they could incur in the course of their duties to the Company. The indemnities remain in force as at the date of these financial statements. A copy of each of the indemnities is kept at the registered office of the Company.

# For the year ended 31 October 2010

# REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

#### **Auditors**

In the case of each of the directors of the Company as at the date when this report was approved

- as far as each of the directors is aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined in the Companies Act 2006) of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- each of the directors has taken all the steps they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information (as defined) and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provision of S416 of the Companies Act 2006

Deloitte LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors

By order of the Board

J Wright, Secretary

6 June 2011

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

### ROYAL BANK OF CANADA HOLDINGS (U.K.) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Royal Bank of Canada Holdings (U K) Limited for the year ended 31 October 2010 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account and the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 12. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

#### Respective responsibilities of Directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

#### Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 October 2009 and of its profit for the year then
  ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

#### Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or
- the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the directors' report

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Michael Lloyd (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor
London, United Kingdom
June 2011

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2010

•	Notes	2010	2009
		£'000	£'000
Other interest receivable and similar income		423	1,417
Interest payable		-	-
		BV000004	
Net interest income	3	423	1,417
Administrative expenses		(32)	(11)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	4	391	1,406
Tax (change)/credit on profit on ordinary activities	6	(110)	2
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Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		281	1,408

# All transactions are derived from continuing operations

There are no recognised gains or losses in either the current year or previous year other than the results for the financial years ended 31 October 2010 and 31 October 2009, respectively, as stated above, and therefore no statement of total recognised gains and losses is required

# **BALANCE SHEET AT 31 OCTOBER 2010**

	Note	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments in subsidiaries	7	583,987	580,987
CURRENT ASSETS			
Amounts owed by group undertakings		447	2,055
Current taxation		-	7
		447	2,062
CREDITORS. AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		***************************************	
Current taxation		(104)	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		343	2,062
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT		584,330	583,049
LIABILITIES			
TOTAL NET ASSETS		584,330	583,049
TOTAL NET ASSETS		364,330 	363,049 =======
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	8	490,544	489,544
Profit and loss account	9	93,786	93,505
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	10	584,330	583,049
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The financial statements were approved and authorised to be issued by the Board of Directors on 6 June 2011 and were signed on their behalf by

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### Notes to the Accounts

# For the year ended 31 October 2010

- 1 Basis of Presentation
- a) The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice under the historical cost convention, and in compliance with the Companies Act 2006. They are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards of the Accounting Standards Board and pronouncements of its Urgent Issues Task Force and with the Statements of Recommended Practice issued by the British Bankers Association.
- b) In accordance with the provisions of Section 401 of the Companies Act 2006 the company is exempt from preparing and delivering consolidated financial statements because it is a wholly owned subsidiary of a parent undertaking that is not established in the EEA
- c) In accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 8 'Related Party Disclosures', the Company is exempt from the requirement to disclose related party transactions with entities that are wholly owned by a member of the RBC Holdings group. There were no other related party transactions or balances requiring disclosure.
- d) The company is ultimately owned by Royal Bank of Canada and is included in the consolidated financial statements of Royal Bank of Canada, which are publicly available. Consequently, the company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement in accordance with paragraph 5, Financial reporting Standard 1 (revised 1996)
- e) The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis as disclosed in the Statement of Going Concern set out in the Report of the Directors
- 2 Principal Accounting Policies
- a) Income Recognition

Interest income is recognised in the profit and loss account as it accrues other than interest of doubtful collectability, which is suspended and excluded from interest income

b) Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less, where necessary, provision for any impairment in value

c) Taxation

Current tax, including UK Corporation tax, is provided using UK tax rates and laws on taxable profits taking into account relief for overseas taxation where appropriate Deferred taxation is provided in full on timing differences which result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date. These timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in the Company's tax computations in different periods from those in which they are included in the financial statements. The amounts provided are calculated at the rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they are recoverable

# **Notes to the Accounts**

# For the year ended 31 October 2010

# 3 Net Interest Income

All net interest income is derived from group companies

# 4 Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
The Profit on ordinary activities before taxation for the year is arrived at after taking into account Auditors' remuneration - audit fee		
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## 5 Remuneration of directors and employees

None of the directors serving during the year received any emoluments from the company (2009 nil) The directors received their remuneration from Royal Bank of Canada The company has no employees (2008 nil)

## 6 Tax charge/(credit) on profit on ordinary activities

	2010	2009
	£'000	£,000
Profit before taxation	391	1,406
Tax reconciliation		
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied at the UK standard rate of 28 %( 2009 - 28%)	110	394
Income exempt from tax	-	(396)
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Tax charge/(credit)	110	(2)
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# **Notes to the Accounts**

# For the year ended 31 October 2010

# 7 <u>Investments in subsidiaries</u>

Cost and net book value:		2010 £'000	2009 £'000
At start of the year		580,987	580,987
Additions during the year		3,000	-
At end of the year		583,987	580,987
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Details of the company's subsidiaries are as follows			
Company	Business	<u>Capital &amp;</u> <u>Reserves</u>	Profit / (Loss)
		2010 £'000	2010 £'000
Royal Bank of Canada Europe Limited Royal Bank of Canada Investment	Banking Investment	1,070,811	23,660
Management (U K ) Limited RBC Asset Management UK Limited	management Investment	4,481	(1,677)
	management	7,899	1,906
Royal Bank of Canada Trust Corporation	Trustee	4,788	380

All subsidiaries are 100% owned, incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales

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# Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31 October 2010

# 8 Share capital

	2010	2009
	£'000	£'000
Called up and fully paid		
490,543,936 (2009 489,543,936) ordinary shares of £1 each	490,544	489,544
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9 Profit and loss account		
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	2010	2009
	£'000	£'000
	1 000	2 000
Profit for the financial year	281	1,408
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Opening profit and loss account	93,505	92,097
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Closing profit and loss account	93,786	93,505

# Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31 October 2010

# 10 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	2010	2009
	£'000	£'000
Profit for the financial year	281	1,408
New Shares issued	1,000	95,185
Net additional to shareholders funds	1,281	96,593
Opening shareholders funds	583,049	486,456
Closing shareholders funds	584,330	583,049

# Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31 October 2010

### 11 Financial Risk Management

The Company's subsidiaries provide a range of banking and other financial services, primarily in the United Kingdom, as part of the international activities of Royal Bank of Canada The company itself has limited exposure to financial risks. Risk management is carried out within the Company's subsidiaries as part of a group-wide approach

The Company had outstanding amounts owed by group undertakings of £447,000 (2009 £2,055,000), these are not subject to significant financial risk

## 12 Parent companies

The company's immediate parent company is RBC Finance B V , a company registered in the Netherlands, and its ultimate parent company and controlling party is Royal Bank of Canada, incorporated in Canada, which is also the parent undertaking of the smallest and largest group which includes the company and for which group accounts are prepared. Copies of the group financial statements of Royal Bank of Canada are available at 71 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4V 4DE. Group accounts are also filed at companies house