

NATIONAL RURAL UTILITIES COOPERATIVE FINANCE CORP /DC/  
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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
63743FSL1	[ ]	100%	1.900%	[ ]	Fixed	3.500%	MONTHLY	07/15/2024	02/15/2014	\$2.82	Yes

Redemption Information: Non-Callable

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Offering Dates: Monday, January 6, 2014 through Monday, January 13, 2014 Trade Date: Monday, January 13, 2014 @ 12:00 PM ET Settlement Date: Thursday, January 16, 2014 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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 Prospectus Dated November 14, 2011