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# **PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT**

(To Prospectus dated January 15, 2010)

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# **PNC Funding Corp**

# % Senior Notes due

Unconditionally Guaranteed by

# The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.

The senior notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$ offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus will mature on , and bear interest at % per annum, payable semi-annually in arrears on and of each year, commencing on (the Senior Notes ). The Senior Notes will be redeemable in whole or in part by PNC Funding Corp on or after the 30<sup>th</sup> day prior to the maturity date at 100% of the principal amount of the notes (par), plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to the date of redemption. Other than as described in the preceding sentence, the Senior Notes are not redeemable prior to maturity. There is no sinking fund for the Senior Notes.

The Senior Notes will rank equally with all other existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness of PNC Funding Corp. The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. will guarantee the Senior Notes, and the guarantees will rank equally with the existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness of The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.

See Risk Factors on page S-4 to read about important factors you should consider before buying the Senior Notes. The Senior Notes and the guarantees are not deposits of a bank and are not insured by the United States Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other insurer or government agency. The Senior Notes are not guaranteed under the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation s Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined that this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Price to Public(1)	Underwriting Discounts	Proceeds to us	
Per Senior Note	%	%	%	
Total	\$	\$	\$	

(1) Plus accrued interest, if any, from the original issue date. The Senior Notes will not be listed on any securities exchange. Currently, there is no public trading market for the Senior Notes.

The underwriters expect to deliver the Senior Notes to purchasers in book-entry form through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company and its direct participants, including Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System (Euroclear), and Clearstream Banking, a société anonyme (Clearstream), on or about , 2011.

Joint Book-Running Managers

# **BofA Merrill Lynch**

# J.P. Morgan

# **PNC Capital Markets LLC**

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# **About This Prospectus Supplement**

You should read both this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, together with additional information described under the heading Where You Can Find More Information in the accompanying prospectus and in Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference in this prospectus supplement.

References to PNC in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus are references to The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc., specifically; references to PNC Funding in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are references to PNC Funding Corp, a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of PNC, specifically; and references to we, us and our are references to PNC and PNC Funding collectively. References to The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. and its subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, are specifically made where applicable.

If the information set forth in this prospectus supplement differs in any way from the information set forth in the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the information set forth in this prospectus supplement.

Currency amounts in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are stated in U.S. dollars.

You should rely only on the information contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. This prospectus supplement may be used only for the purpose for which it has been prepared. No one is authorized to give information other than that contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference herein and therein. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it.

We are offering to sell the Senior Notes only in places where sales are permitted. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer to sell the Senior Notes in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement or any document incorporated by reference herein or in the accompanying prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date of the applicable document. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date. Neither this prospectus supplement nor the accompanying prospectus constitutes an offer, or an invitation on our behalf or on behalf of the underwriters, to subscribe for and purchase any of the Senior Notes and may not be used for or in connection with an offer or solicitation by anyone, in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or solicitation is not authorized or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer or solicitation.

# **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

We make statements in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, and may from time to time make other statements, regarding our outlook for earnings, revenues, expenses, capital levels, liquidity levels, asset quality and other matters regarding or affecting our future business and operations that are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by words such as believe, plan, expect, anticipate, see, intend, outlook, project, estimate, goal, will, should and other similar words and expressions. Forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks ar uncertainties, which change over time.

Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made. We do not assume any duty and do not undertake to update forward-looking statements. Actual results or future events could differ, possibly materially, from those anticipated in forward-looking statements, as well as from historical performance.

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Our forward-looking statements are subject to the following principal risks and uncertainties.

Our businesses, financial results and balance sheet values are affected by business and economic conditions, including the following:

Changes in interest rates and valuations in debt, equity and other financial markets.

Disruptions in the liquidity and other functioning of U.S. and global financial markets.

The impact on financial markets and the economy of the downgrade by Standard & Poor s of U.S. Treasury obligations and other U.S. government-backed debt, as well as issues surrounding the level of U.S. and European government debt.

Actions by Federal Reserve, U.S. Treasury and other government agencies, including those that impact money supply and market interest rates.

Changes in customers, suppliers and other counterparties performance and creditworthiness.

Slowing or failure of the current moderate economic recovery.

Continued effects of aftermath of recessionary conditions and uneven spread of positive impacts of recovery on the economy and our counterparties, including adverse impacts on levels of unemployment, loan utilization rates, delinquencies, defaults and counterparty ability to meet credit and other obligations.

Changes in customer preferences and behavior, whether due to changing business and economic conditions, legislative and regulatory initiatives, or other factors.

Our forward-looking financial statements are subject to the risk that economic and financial market conditions will be substantially different than we are currently expecting. These statements are based on our current view that the modest economic expansion will persist in the year ahead and interest rates will remain very low.

Legal and regulatory developments could have an impact on ability to operate our businesses, financial condition, results of operations, competitive position, reputation, or pursuit of attractive acquisition opportunities. Reputational impacts could affect matters such as business generation and retention, liquidity, funding, and ability to attract and retain management. These developments could include:

Changes resulting from legislative and regulatory reforms, including broad-based restructuring of financial industry regulation and changes to laws and regulations involving tax, pension, bankruptcy, consumer protection, and other industry aspects, and changes in accounting policies and principles. We will be impacted by extensive reforms provided for in the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Dodd-Frank Act ) and otherwise growing out of the recent financial crisis, the precise nature, extent and timing of which, and their impact on us, remains uncertain.

Changes to regulations governing bank capital, including due to the Dodd-Frank Act and to Basel III initiatives.

Unfavorable resolution of legal proceedings or other claims and regulatory and other governmental investigations or other inquiries. In addition to matters relating to PNC s business and activities, such matters may include proceedings, claims, investigations, or inquiries relating to pre-acquisition business and activities of acquired companies, such as National City Bank. These matters may result in monetary judgments or settlements or other remedies, including fines, penalties, restitution or alterations in our business practices, and in additional expenses and collateral costs, and may cause reputational harm to PNC.

Results of regulatory examination and supervision process, including our failure to satisfy requirements of agreements with governmental agencies.

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Impact on business and operating results of any costs associated with obtaining rights in intellectual property claimed by others and of adequacy of our intellectual property protection in general.

Business and operating results are affected by our ability to identify and effectively manage risks inherent in our businesses, including, where appropriate, through effective use of third-party insurance, derivatives, and capital management techniques, and to meet evolving regulatory capital standards. In particular, our results currently depend on our ability to manage elevated levels of impaired assets.

Business and operating results also include impacts relating to our equity interest in BlackRock, Inc. and rely to a significant extent on information provided to us by BlackRock. Risks and uncertainties that could affect BlackRock are discussed in more detail by BlackRock in SEC filings.

Our planned acquisition of RBC Bank (USA) presents us with risks and uncertainties related both to the acquisition transaction itself and its integration into PNC after closing, including:

Closing is dependent on, among other things, receipt of regulatory and other applicable approvals, the timing of which cannot be predicted with precision at this point and which may not be received at all. The impact of closing on PNC s financial statements will be affected by the timing of the transaction.

The transaction (including integration of RBC Bank (USA) s businesses) may be substantially more expensive to complete than anticipated. Anticipated benefits, including cost savings and strategic gains, may be significantly harder or take longer to achieve than expected or may not be achieved in their entirety as a result of unexpected factors or events.

Our ability to achieve anticipated results from this transaction is dependent also on the following factors, in part related to the state of economic and financial markets: the extent of credit losses in the acquired loan portfolios and the extent of deposit attrition. Also, litigation and governmental investigations that may be filed or commenced, as a result of this transaction or otherwise, could impact the timing or realization of anticipated benefits to PNC.

Integration of RBC Bank (USA) s business and operations into PNC, which will include conversion of RBC Bank (USA) s different systems and procedures, may take longer than anticipated or be more costly than anticipated or have unanticipated adverse results relating to RBC Bank (USA) s or PNC s existing businesses. PNC s ability to integrate RBC Bank (USA) successfully may be adversely affected by the fact that this transaction will result in PNC entering several markets where PNC does not currently have any meaningful retail presence.

In addition to the planned RBC Bank (USA) transaction, we grow our business in part by acquiring from time to time other financial services companies, financial services assets and related deposits. These other acquisitions, including our planned acquisition of branches and related deposits in metropolitan Atlanta, Georgia from Flagstar Bank, FSB, often present risks and uncertainties analogous to those presented by the RBC Bank (USA) transaction, as well as, in some cases, with risks related to entering into new lines of business.

Competition can have an impact on customer acquisition, growth and retention and on credit spreads and product pricing, which can affect market share, deposits and revenues. Industry restructuring in the current environment could also impact our business and financial performance through changes in counterparty creditworthiness and performance and in competitive and regulatory landscape. Our ability to anticipate and respond to technological changes can also impact our ability to respond to customer needs and meet competitive demands.

Business and operating results can also be affected by widespread disasters, dislocations, terrorist activities or international hostilities through impacts on the economy and financial markets generally or on us or our counterparties specifically. We provide greater detail regarding some of these factors in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended

December 31, 2010, filed with the SEC and available on the SEC s website at www.sec.gov, including the Risk

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Factors and Risk Management sections of that report, as such discussions may be amended or supplemented in other reports filed by us with the SEC, including our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2011 (First Quarter 2011 Form 10-Q) and June 30, 2011 (Second Quarter 2011 Form 10-Q), and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Our forward-looking statements may also be subject to other risks and uncertainties, including those discussed elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus or in our other filings with the SEC.

# Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference

The SEC allows us to incorporate information in this document by reference to other documents filed separately with the SEC. This means that PNC can disclose important information to you by referring you to those other documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be a part of this document, except for any information that is superseded by information that is included directly in this document. You may read and copy this information at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the SEC s Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains an internet website that contains reports, proxy statements and other information about issuers, like us, who file electronically with the SEC. The address of the website is *www.sec.gov*. The reports and other information filed by PNC with the SEC are also available at our Internet website, *www.pnc.com*. We have included the web addresses of the SEC and PNC as inactive textual references only. Except as specifically incorporated by reference into this document, information on those websites is not part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

This document incorporates by reference the documents listed below that we previously filed with the SEC. They contain important information about PNC and its financial condition.

Filing Annual Report on Form 10-K Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q Current Reports on Form 8-K Period or date filed Year ended December 31, 2010 Quarter ended March 31, 2011; Quarter ended June 30, 2011 Filed with the SEC on February 15, 2011; March 1, 2011; March 7, 2011; April 14, 2011; May 2, 2011; June 20, 2011 (with respect to Item 1.01 information only); and July 27, 2011

In addition, PNC also incorporates by reference additional documents that we file with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), between the date of this document and the date of the termination of the offer being made pursuant to this prospectus. These documents include periodic reports, such as Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K, as well as proxy statements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, PNC is not incorporating any document or information that it furnished rather than filed with the SEC.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated by reference, or deemed to be incorporated by reference, in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus or in any other subsequently filed document which also is incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

Statements contained in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus as to the contents of any contract or other document referred to in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus do not purport to be complete, and where reference is made to the particular provisions of such contract or other

document, such provisions are qualified in all respects by reference to all of the provisions of such contract or other document. We will provide without charge to each person to whom a copy of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus has been delivered, on the written or oral request of such person, a copy of any or all of the documents which have been or may be incorporated in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus by reference (other than exhibits to such documents unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference in any such documents) and a copy of any or all other contracts or documents which are referred to in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. You may request a copy of these filings at the address and telephone number set forth below.

In reviewing any agreements incorporated by reference, please remember they are included to provide you with information regarding the terms of such agreements and are not intended to provide any other factual or disclosure information about PNC. The agreements may contain representations and warranties by PNC or other parties, which should not in all instances be treated as categorical statements of fact, but rather as a way of allocating the risk to one of the parties if those statements prove to be inaccurate. The representations and warranties were made only as of the date of the relevant agreement or such other date or dates as may be specified in such agreement and are subject to more recent developments. Accordingly, these representations and warranties alone may not describe the actual state of affairs as of the date they were made or at any other time.

Documents incorporated by reference are available from PNC without charge, excluding any exhibits to those documents unless the exhibit is specifically incorporated by reference as an exhibit into this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. You can obtain documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus by requesting them in writing or by telephone at the following address:

The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.

**One PNC Plaza** 

249 Fifth Avenue

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222-2707

Attention: Shareholder Services

Telephone: (800) 982-7652

Email: webqueries@computershare.com

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# Summary

The following information about this offering summarizes, and should be read in conjunction with, the information contained in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying prospectus, and the documents incorporated herein and therein by reference. This summary is not complete and does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in the Senior Notes. You should pay special attention to the Risk Factors section of this prospectus supplement to determine whether an investment in the Senior Notes is appropriate for you.

#### About The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.

PNC is one of the largest diversified financial services companies in the United States and is headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. PNC has businesses engaged in retail banking, corporate and institutional banking, asset management, and residential mortgage banking, providing many of its products and services nationally and others in PNC s primary geographic markets located in Pennsylvania, Ohio, New Jersey, Michigan, Maryland, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Florida, Virginia, Missouri, Delaware, Washington, D.C., and Wisconsin. PNC also provides certain products and services internationally. As of June 30, 2011, PNC had total consolidated assets of approximately \$263.1 billion, total consolidated deposits of approximately \$181.9 billion and total consolidated shareholders equity of approximately \$32.2 billion.

PNC was incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in 1983 with the consolidation of Pittsburgh National Corporation and Provident National Corporation. Since 1983, we have diversified our geographical presence, business mix and product capabilities through internal growth, strategic bank and non-bank acquisitions and equity investments, and the formation of various non-banking subsidiaries.

PNC common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol PNC.

PNC is a holding company and services its obligations primarily with dividends and advances that it receives from subsidiaries. PNC s subsidiaries that operate in the banking and securities businesses can pay dividends only if they are in compliance with the applicable regulatory requirements imposed on them by federal and state bank regulatory authorities and securities regulators. PNC s subsidiaries may be party to credit or other agreements that also may restrict their ability to pay dividends. PNC currently believes that none of these regulatory or contractual restrictions on the ability of its subsidiaries to pay dividends will affect PNC s ability to service its own debt or pay dividends on its preferred stock. PNC must also maintain the required capital levels of a bank holding company before it may pay dividends on its stock.

Under the regulations of the Federal Reserve, a bank holding company is expected to act as a source of financial strength for its subsidiary banks. As a result of this regulatory policy, the Federal Reserve might require PNC to commit resources to its subsidiary banks, even when doing so is not otherwise in the interests of PNC or its shareholders or creditors.

PNC s principal executive offices are located at One PNC Plaza, 249 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222-2707, and its telephone number is 412-762-2000.

#### **About PNC Funding Corp**

PNC Funding is a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of PNC. PNC Funding was incorporated under Pennsylvania law in 1972 and is engaged in financing the activities of PNC and its subsidiaries through the issuance of commercial paper and other debt guaranteed by PNC.

PNC Funding s principal executive offices are located at One PNC Plaza, 249 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222-2707, and its telephone number is 412-762-2000.

# The Offering

The following description contains basic information about the Senior Notes and this offering. This description is not complete and does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in the Senior Notes. For a more complete understanding of the Senior Notes, you should read the section of this prospectus supplement entitled Certain Terms of the Senior Notes and the section in the accompanying prospectus entitled Description of Debt Securities and Guarantees. To the extent the following information is inconsistent with the information in the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the following information.

Securities offered	% Senior Notes due ,			
Issuer	PNC Funding Corp			
Guarantor	The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.			
Aggregate principal amount Maturity date	\$			
Issue date	, 2011			
Issue price	% plus accrued interest, if any, from and including , 2011			
Interest rate	% annually			
Interest payment dates	Each and , commencing , 2012			
Record dates	Each and			
Form	Fully-registered global notes in book-entry form			
Denominations	\$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof			
Further issuance	The Senior Notes will be limited initially to \$ million in aggregate principal amount. PNC may, however, reopen the Senior Notes and issue an unlimited principal amount of additional notes in the future without the consent of the holders.			
Use of proceeds	We estimate that the net proceeds of this offering will be approximately \$ million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated expenses. We			

expect to use the net proceeds from the sale of the Senior Notes for general corporate purposes, including funding the pending RBC Bank (USA) acquisition.

**Optional redemption** 

The Senior Notes will be redeemable in whole or in part by PNC Funding on or after the 30<sup>th</sup> day prior to the maturity date at 100% of the principal amount of the notes (par), plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to the date of redemption. PNC Funding will provide 30 to 60 calendar days notice of redemption to the registered holder of the note.

**Risk factors** 

Investing in the Senior Notes involves certain risks. See page S-4.

# **Conflicts of Interest**

Our affiliate, PNC Capital Markets LLC, is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) and is participating in the distribution of the Senior Notes. The distribution arrangements for this offering comply with the requirements of FINRA Rule 5121 regarding a FINRA member firm s participation in the distribution of securities of an affiliate. In accordance with Rule 5121, no FINRA member firm may make sales in this offering to any discretionary account without the prior approval of the customer. Our affiliates, including PNC Capital Markets LLC and other affiliates may use this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus in connection with offers and sales of the Senior Notes in the secondary market. These affiliates may act as principal or agent in those transactions. Secondary market sales will be made at prices related to market prices at the time of sale.

#### **Risk Factors**

Your investment in the Senior Notes involves risks. This prospectus supplement does not describe all of those risks. Before purchasing any Senior Notes, you should carefully consider the risks and other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including the discussions under Item 1A Risk Factors and Item 7 Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Risk Management in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, as such discussions may be amended or updated in other reports filed by us with the SEC, including our First Quarter 2011 Form 10-Q and Second Quarter 2011 Form 10-Q.

# **Consolidated Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges**

The table below sets forth PNC s consolidated ratios of earnings to fixed charges for the periods presented.

	Six Months Ended June 30			Year Ended December 31			
	2011	2010	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges*							
Excluding interest on deposits	5.26x	4.43x	4.39x	3.28x	1.96x	2.35x	5.79x
Including interest on deposits	3.48	2.69	2.80	2.01	1.39	1.50	2.57

\* Earnings is computed as pretax income from continuing operations before adjustment for noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries or income or loss from equity investees, plus distributed income of equity investees, plus fixed charges excluding interest on deposits, minus noncontrolling interests in pretax income of subsidiaries that have not incurred fixed charges, minus interest capitalized, minus interest on deposits.

Fixed charges is computed as interest in borrowed funds, plus the interest component of rentals, plus amortization of notes and debentures, plus interest capitalized, plus interest on deposits.

# Use of Proceeds

We estimate that the net proceeds of this offering will be approximately \$ million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated expenses. We expect to use the net proceeds from the sale of the Senior Notes for general corporate purposes, including funding the pending RBC Bank (USA) acquisition.

# **Certain Terms of the Senior Notes**

The Senior Notes offered by this prospectus supplement will be issued by PNC Funding under an Indenture dated as of December 1, 1991, among PNC, PNC Funding and The Bank of New York Mellon, which was formerly known as The Bank of New York, as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, which was formerly known as The Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee, as supplemented by a Supplemental Indenture dated as of February 15, 1993, a Second Supplemental Indenture dated as of February 15, 2000, a Third Supplemental Indenture dated as of December 19, 2008, a Fourth Supplemental Indenture dated as of December 19, 2008 and a Fifth Supplemental Indenture dated as of March 31, 2009. References to the Indenture in this section will mean the Indenture as so supplemented. The accompanying prospectus provides a more complete description of the Indenture. The Senior Notes will be Senior Debt Securities, as such term is defined in the accompanying prospectus. The following description of the particular terms of the Senior Debt Securities in the accompanying prospectus, to which description we refer you. The accompanying prospectus sets forth the meaning of certain capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined.

# General

The Senior Notes issued in this offering initially will be limited to \$ principal amount. The Senior Notes will mature on , . . There is no sinking fund for the Senior Notes. The Senior Notes are not convertible into, or exchangeable for, equity securities of PNC or PNC Funding. The Senior Notes will rank equally with all of PNC Funding s other senior unsecured indebtedness. As of June 30, 2011, PNC Funding had \$9.7 billion of outstanding senior unsecured indebtedness.

# The Senior Notes are not guaranteed under the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation s Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program.

# Interest

The Senior Notes will bear interest at the rate of<br/>and will be payable semi-annually in arrears on<br/>, 2012. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.% per annum. Interest on the Senior Notes will accrue from and including<br/>of each year (each an interest payment date ), commencing on<br/>of each year consisting of twelve 30-day months., 2011

Interest on the Senior Notes will accrue from and including , 2011, to, but excluding, the first interest payment date and then from, and including, the immediately preceding interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for to, but excluding, the next interest payment date or the maturity date, as the case may be. Each of these periods is referred to as an interest period for the Senior Notes. If an interest payment date or the maturity date for the Senior Notes falls on a day that is not a business day, PNC Funding will postpone the interest payment or the payment of principal and interest at maturity to the next succeeding business day, but the payments made on such dates will be treated as being made on the date that the payment was first due and the holders of the Senior Notes will not be entitled to any further interest or other payments with respect to such postponements.

When we use the term business day, we mean any day except a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday in the City of New York or the City of Pittsburgh on which banking institutions are authorized or obligated by law, regulation or executive order to close. The interest payable on the Senior Notes on any interest payment date, subject to certain exceptions, will be paid to the person in whose name the Senior Notes are registered at the close of business on and , whether or not a business day, immediately preceding the interest payment date. However, interest that PNC Funding pays on the maturity date will be paid to the person to whom the principal will be payable. Interest will be payable by wire transfer in immediately available funds in

U.S. dollars at the office of the principal paying agent in New York, New York or, at PNC Funding s option in the event the Senior Notes are not represented by Global Notes (as defined below), by check mailed to the address of the person specified for payment in the preceding sentences.

# Guarantees

The Senior Notes are unconditionally guaranteed by PNC. The PNC guarantee of the Senior Notes will rank equally with the existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness of PNC. As of June 30, 2011, the outstanding senior indebtedness of PNC was approximately \$9.6 billion, which as of that date consisted of the guarantee of senior indebtedness of PNC Funding of \$9.2 billion and \$0.4 billion of senior indebtedness of National City, for which PNC became the obligor upon consummation of the merger with National City. The Senior Notes are not guaranteed by the subsidiaries of PNC. Because PNC is a holding company, the PNC guarantee is effectively subordinated to all indebtedness and other liabilities (including trade payables and deposits) of PNC subsidiaries.

# **Optional Redemption**

The Senior Notes will be redeemable in whole or in part by PNC Funding on or after the 30<sup>th</sup> day prior to the maturity date at 100% of the principal amount of the notes (par), plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to the date of redemption. PNC Funding will provide 30 to 60 calendar days notice of the redemption to the registered holder of the note.

Other than as set forth in the paragraph above, the Senior Notes are not redeemable prior to maturity.

# **Further Issuances**

PNC Funding may, from time to time, without the consent of the holders of the Senior Notes, create and issue further notes having the same terms and conditions as the Senior Notes that are equal in rank to the Senior Notes offered by this prospectus supplement in all respects (or in all respects except for the payment of interest accruing prior to the issue date of the further notes or except in some cases for the first payment of interest following the issue date of the further notes). These further notes may be consolidated and form a single series with the series of notes of which the Senior Notes form a part and will have the same terms as to status or otherwise as the Senior Notes.

# **Delivery and Form**

The Senior Notes will be represented by one or more permanent global certificates (each a Global Note and collectively, the Global Notes ) deposited with, or on behalf of, The Depository Trust Company (DTC) and registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC s partnership nominee). The Senior Notes will be available for purchase in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof in book-entry form only. Unless and until certificated Senior Notes are issued under the limited circumstances described in the accompanying prospectus, no beneficial owner of a Senior Note shall be entitled to receive a definitive certificate representing Senior Notes. So long as DTC or any successor depositary (collectively, the Depositary) or its nominee is the registered owner of the Global Notes, the Depositary, or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered to be the sole owner or holder of the Senior Notes for all purposes of the Indenture. Beneficial interests in the Global Notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Investors may elect to hold interests in the Global Notes through DTC either directly if they are participants in DTC or indirectly through organizations that are participants in DTC, including Euroclear and Clearstream.

#### **Clearance and Settlement Procedures**

Initial settlement for the Senior Notes will be made in immediately available funds. Secondary market trading between DTC participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with DTC rules and will be settled in immediately available funds.

# **Certain United States Federal Income Tax Consequences**

The following is a summary of certain United States federal income tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of the Senior Notes by U.S. Holders (as defined below) and Non-U.S. Holders (as defined below), but does not purport to be a complete analysis of all the potential tax considerations. This summary is based upon the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ), the Treasury Regulations (the Regulations ) promulgated thereunder, and administrative and judicial interpretations thereof, all as of the date hereof and all of which are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis. This summary is limited to the tax consequences with respect to Senior Notes that were purchased by an initial holder at their original issue price for cash and that are held as capital assets within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code (generally, property held for investment). This summary does not address the tax consequences to subsequent purchasers of the Senior Notes. This summary assumes that the Senior Notes will be treated as debt instruments for United States federal income tax purposes. This summary does not purport to deal with all aspects of United States federal income taxation that might be relevant to particular holders in light of their circumstances or status, nor does it address specific tax consequences that may be relevant to particular holders (including, for example, financial institutions, broker-dealers, traders in securities that elect mark-to-market treatment, insurance companies, partnerships or other pass-through entities, United States expatriates, tax-exempt organizations, U.S. Holders that have a functional currency other than the United States dollar, or persons who hold Senior Notes as part of a straddle, hedge, conversion or other integrated financial transaction). In addition, this summary does not address United States federal alternative minimum, estate and gift tax consequences or consequences under the tax laws of any state, local or foreign jurisdiction. We have not sought, and will not seek, any ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (the IRS ) with respect to the statements made and the conclusions reached in this summary, and we cannot assure you that the IRS will agree with such statements and conclusions.

# THIS SUMMARY IS FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED TO CONSTITUTE A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF ALL TAX CONSEQUENCES FOR HOLDERS RELATING TO OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSTION OF OUR SENIOR NOTES. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE SENIOR NOTES ARE URGED TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAXATION AND OTHER TAX CONSEQUENCES TO THEM OF ACQUIRING, OWNING AND DISPOSING OF THE SENIOR NOTES, AS WELL AS THE APPLICATION OF STATE, LOCAL AND FOREIGN INCOME AND OTHER TAX LAWS.

For purposes of the following summary, a U.S. Holder is a beneficial owner of Senior Notes that is, for United States federal income tax purposes, (i) a citizen or individual resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation or other entity taxable as a corporation created or organized under the laws of the United States, any state thereof, or the District of Columbia; (iii) an estate, the income of which is subject to United States federal income tax regardless of its source; or (iv) a trust, if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the trust s administration and one or more United States persons have the authority to control all of its substantial decisions or if a valid election to be treated as a United States person is in effect with respect to such trust. A Non-U.S. Holder is a beneficial owner of Senior Notes that is neither a U.S. Holder nor a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes. If a an entity or an arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. Federal income tax purposes holds Senior Notes, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. If you are a partner in a partnership holding Senior Notes, you should consult your tax advisor.

# United States Federal Income Taxation of U.S. Holders

*Payments of Stated Interest.* Stated interest on a Senior Note will be taxable to a U.S. Holder as ordinary income at the time such interest is received or accrued, depending on the holder s regular method of accounting for United States federal income tax purposes. Certain U.S. Holders may also be subject to a tax on net investment income. Please see the discussion under Recently Enacted Legislation below for additional information on the potential application of this tax.

*Disposition of the Senior Note.* Upon the sale, exchange or other taxable disposition of a Senior Note, a U.S. Holder generally will recognize taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between (i) the sum of all cash plus the fair market value of all other property received on such disposition (except to the extent such cash or other property is attributable to accrued but unpaid interest, which is treated as interest as described above) and (ii) such holder s adjusted tax basis in the Senior Note. A U.S. Holder s adjusted tax basis in a Senior Note generally will equal the cost of the Senior Note to such holder. Any gain or loss recognized on the disposition of a Senior Note generally will be capital gain or loss, and will be long-term capital gain or loss if, at the time of such disposition, the U.S. Holder s holding period for the Senior Note is more than one year. Long-term capital gain recognized by an individual U.S. Holder generally is subject to tax at a lower rate than short-term capital gain or ordinary income. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to significant limitations. Beginning in 2013, certain U.S. Holders may also be subject to a tax on net investment income. Please see the discussion under Recently Enacted Legislation below for additional information on the potential application of this tax.

**Backup Withholding and Information Reporting.** For each calendar year in which the Senior Notes are outstanding, we generally are required to provide the IRS with certain information, including the beneficial owner s name, address and taxpayer identification number, the aggregate amount of interest paid to that beneficial owner during the calendar year and the amount of tax withheld, if any. This obligation, however, does not apply with respect to payments to certain types of U.S. Holders, including corporations and tax-exempt organizations, provided that they establish entitlement to an exemption.

In the event that a U.S. Holder subject to the reporting requirements described above fails to provide its correct taxpayer identification number in the manner required by applicable law, or underreports its tax liability, we, our agent or paying agents, or a broker may be required to backup withhold a tax at the current rate of 28% of each payment on the Senior Notes and on the proceeds from a sale of the Senior Notes. The backup withholding obligation, however, does not apply with respect to payments to certain types of U.S. Holders, including corporations and tax-exempt organizations, provided that they establish entitlement to an exemption.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax and may be refunded or credited against the U.S. Holder s United States federal income tax liability, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding their qualifications for an exemption from backup withholding, and the procedure for establishing such exemption, if applicable.

*Recently Enacted Legislation.* Recently enacted legislation generally imposes a tax of 3.8% on the net investment income of certain U.S. citizens and resident aliens, and on the undistributed net investment income of certain trusts and estates beginning in 2013. Among other items, net investment income generally includes gross income from interest and net gain from the disposition of certain property, less certain related deductions.

Prospective purchasers should consult an independent tax advisor regarding the possible implications of this legislation on their particular circumstances.

#### United States Federal Income Taxation of Non-U.S. Holders

*Payment of Interest.* Subject to the discussion of backup withholding below, payments of interest on the Senior Notes to a Non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to United States federal withholding tax under the portfolio interest exemption, provided that:

such payments are not effectively connected with the conduct of a United States trade or business, or in the case of an income tax treaty resident, a United States permanent establishment (or, in the case of an individual, a fixed base) maintained by the Non-U.S. Holder in the United States;