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NOTICE TO HOLDERS

of

7.125% Noncumulative Trust Preferred Securities

of

Aareal Bank Capital Funding Trust

The record date for payments to be made on the 7.125% noncumulative trust preferred securities (the "<u>Trust Preferred Securities</u>") of Aareal Bank Capital Funding Trust (the "<u>Trust</u>") is, for so long as the Trust Preferred Securities remain in book-entry form, the Business Day prior to the relevant date of payment fixed in the amended and restated trust agreement of the Trust dated November 20, 2001, as amended from time to time (the "<u>Trust Agreement</u>"). The term "Business Day," as used in the preceding sentence, shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Trust Agreement.

AAREAL BANK CAPITAL FUNDING TRUST

By: ///

Name: Alan Griffin

Title: Regular Trustee

By:

Name: Bernd Klink

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