

Accessory PublicationEnergetics and Geometries (in Cartesian Co-ordinates) of the doublet state minima**Nb<sub>2</sub>Rh**

E=-225.371846 a.u.

E+V=-225.370187 a.u.

|    |             |             |            |
|----|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Nb | 0.00000000  | 1.32858500  | 0.00000000 |
| Nb | 1.27545200  | -0.43446800 | 0.00000000 |
| Rh | -1.16207900 | -0.81464000 | 0.00000000 |

**NbRh<sub>2</sub>**

E=-279.133215 a.u.

E+V=-279.131345 a.u.

|    |            |             |             |
|----|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Nb | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000  | 1.16439900  |
| Rh | 0.00000000 | 1.40021900  | -0.53044800 |
| Rh | 0.00000000 | -1.40021900 | -0.53044800 |

**Nb<sub>2</sub>RhCO**Structure 1

E = -338.896160 a.u.

E+V = -338.889202 a.u.

|    |            |             |            |
|----|------------|-------------|------------|
| O  | 0.07297400 | 0.08027400  | 0.04546400 |
| C  | 0.28604400 | 0.69648700  | 4.11921800 |
| Rh | 1.53223400 | 0.06823600  | 1.07614100 |
| Nb | 1.41326200 | -0.75428800 | 3.46188100 |
| Nb | 1.69421000 | 1.57712500  | 3.09288400 |

Structure 2

E = -338.902170 a.u.

E+V = -338.894742 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | 2.983609  | -0.000220 | 0.406525  |
| C  | 4.035674  | -0.002365 | 0.920274  |
| Rh | 1.012088  | -0.001605 | -0.433375 |
| Nb | -1.139135 | 1.086069  | 0.130503  |
| Nb | -1.144447 | -1.083918 | 0.131156  |

Structure 3

E = -338.908250 a.u.

E+V = -338.901228 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | 2.821596  | 0.011618  | 0.997263  |
| C  | 3.152798  | -0.768755 | 0.108632  |
| Rh | -1.284277 | -0.954729 | 0.131617  |
| Nb | -0.573136 | 1.374254  | 0.044743  |
| Nb | 0.970768  | -0.216147 | -0.399686 |

#### Structure 4

E = -338.910810 a.u.

E+V = -338.902985 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | 2.874858  | -0.276197 | 0.472128  |
| C  | 3.953614  | -0.272318 | 0.973739  |
| Rh | -1.546687 | -0.714273 | 0.209681  |
| Nb | -0.394301 | 1.289067  | 0.022020  |
| Nb | 0.952358  | -0.411366 | -0.486780 |

#### Structure 5

E = -338.913210 a.u.

E+V = -338.905860 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | -1.289343 | 1.068332  | 0.955328  |
| C  | -1.805872 | -0.284592 | 1.451353  |
| Rh | 1.377907  | -0.681742 | 0.149877  |
| Nb | 0.303790  | 1.234752  | -0.208975 |
| Nb | -1.300274 | -0.653307 | -0.354322 |

#### Structure 6

E = -338.932877 a.u.

E+V = -338.925057 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| O  | -0.22564900 | 0.16599100  | -0.02223800 |
| C  | 0.25240300  | -0.31243900 | 1.23179600  |
| Nb | 1.98579700  | -0.09100400 | -0.16454200 |
| Nb | 0.95089100  | 1.90568600  | -0.25783100 |
| Rh | 1.23220100  | 1.06388000  | 2.12256700  |

#### Structure 7

E = -338.936345 a.u.

E+V = -338.928222 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| O  | 0.40321000  | 0.24424600  | -0.01329800 |
| C  | 1.02702000  | 0.68647400  | 4.68593300  |
| Nb | 0.36766600  | -0.76702100 | 3.64100900  |
| Nb | 0.69513800  | 1.96365400  | 3.30034800  |
| Rh | -0.15643800 | 0.49973300  | 1.67068600  |

#### Structure 8

E = -338.936693 a.u.

E+V = -338.929741 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| O  | -0.64786100 | -0.00001000 | -1.12292200 |
| C  | -0.44726900 | 0.00000100  | 3.72228500  |
| Rh | 0.66881400  | 0.00000500  | 2.41413100  |
| Nb | -0.49403000 | 1.19050200  | 0.42632200  |
| Nb | -0.49399500 | -1.19052500 | 0.42630800  |

### Structure 9

E = -338.943116 a.u.

E+V = -338.935908 a.u.

|    |             |             |            |
|----|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C  | -0.00104900 | 0.03850000  | 0.23688000 |
| O  | 0.21501200  | -0.76715700 | 3.93735800 |
| Rh | 1.56977600  | -0.07071200 | 0.89656800 |
| Nb | 1.60423500  | 0.52689700  | 3.43907800 |
| Nb | 1.65417100  | -1.67278800 | 2.95880700 |

### Structure 10

E = -338.945988 a.u.

E+V = -338.938148 a.u.

|    |             |             |            |
|----|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C  | 0.04897200  | -0.07748600 | 0.16430000 |
| O  | -0.06376000 | 0.03743900  | 3.68204000 |
| Rh | 0.75591300  | 0.03496500  | 1.80252900 |
| Nb | -1.64226100 | 0.65968200  | 2.99381100 |
| Nb | -1.68645600 | -0.65461800 | 0.89176200 |

### Structure 11

E = -338.970060 a.u.

E+V = -338.945558 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | -2.365539 | 0.091566  | 1.190506  |
| C  | -0.445397 | -1.789770 | -0.075981 |
| Rh | 1.186762  | -0.916397 | 0.074632  |
| Nb | -1.476216 | -0.112021 | -0.303048 |
| Nb | 0.700422  | 1.361873  | -0.000040 |

### Structure 12

E = -338.956160 a.u.

E+V = -338.947881 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Nb | -0.09044400 | 0.27057200  | -0.02434200 |
| Nb | -0.16568200 | -0.75194100 | 1.92028900  |
| Rh | 2.19680200  | -0.12252100 | 0.82265100  |
| C  | 2.22538700  | 0.36408800  | 2.61845800  |
| O  | 1.25770600  | 0.23980200  | 3.41159200  |

### Structure 13

E = -338.958640 a.u.

E+V = -338.949748 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | -0.747398 | -1.206188 | 1.653052  |
| C  | 0.070423  | -0.239429 | 1.235176  |
| Rh | 1.488434  | -0.419197 | -0.158684 |
| Nb | -1.264844 | -0.660923 | -0.398224 |
| Nb | -0.233275 | 1.391410  | 0.069085  |

#### Structure 14

E = -338.958580 a.u.

E+V = -338.951161 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | -2.262623 | 0.001595  | -0.151881 |
| C  | -1.541403 | 0.000904  | 1.272931  |
| Rh | 1.575042  | -0.000514 | 0.059244  |
| Nb | -0.530039 | 1.187238  | -0.110867 |
| Nb | -0.531606 | -1.187118 | -0.110804 |

#### Structure 15

E = -338.980900 a.u.

E+V = -338.955606 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | 2.575903  | 0.366945  | 0.366059  |
| C  | 1.495456  | 1.162199  | 0.280414  |
| Rh | -1.316420 | -0.715424 | 0.093342  |
| Nb | -0.326025 | 1.485244  | -0.083640 |
| Nb | 1.049414  | -0.941699 | -0.131271 |

#### Structure 16

E = -338.971706 a.u.

E+V = -338.962373 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| C  | 0.15000600  | -0.00007900 | 0.09751000  |
| O  | -0.24370800 | 0.00305000  | 1.21829000  |
| Rh | 0.45528500  | -0.00434300 | -1.71200700 |
| Nb | -1.50761700 | 1.07979800  | -2.94841800 |
| Nb | -1.51570000 | -1.07834800 | -2.94287900 |

#### Structure 17

E = -338.973480 a.u.

E+V = -338.964648 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | -2.981780 | 0.722866  | 0.000686  |
| C  | -1.763792 | 0.625986  | 0.000462  |
| Rh | -0.760396 | -1.117385 | -0.000223 |
| Nb | 1.471973  | -0.434576 | 0.000255  |
| Nb | 0.202535  | 1.428319  | -0.000211 |

#### Structure 18

E = -338.987835 a.u.

E+V = -338.978937 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| C  | -0.11459100 | -0.54941800 | 0.29361400  |
| O  | -0.73189500 | 0.53416000  | 0.75411600  |
| Rh | 2.86587700  | 0.22844500  | 1.74049800  |
| Nb | 1.29539800  | 1.04799700  | 0.27104800  |
| Nb | 1.66999200  | -1.26118500 | -0.08703600 |

### Structure 19

E = -338.987450 a.u.

E+V = -338.979516 a.u.

|    |             |             |            |
|----|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C  | 0.40563000  | -0.66528300 | 1.16388300 |
| O  | 0.26330800  | -0.44223800 | 4.59623500 |
| Nb | -0.30729300 | 0.97912600  | 1.74324600 |
| Nb | -0.19249200 | -1.28165500 | 2.99515700 |
| Rh | 1.24080700  | 0.98656500  | 3.49275600 |

### Structure 20

E = -338.990590 a.u.

E+V = -338.983000 a.u.

|    |             |             |            |
|----|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C  | -0.08488400 | -0.00692600 | 0.60991500 |
| O  | 0.22277100  | 0.13905200  | 4.60249400 |
| Nb | -0.29569800 | -0.40909200 | 3.01284600 |
| Nb | 0.10840200  | 1.61578000  | 1.46136100 |
| Rh | 1.45936800  | -0.91532900 | 1.44073400 |

### Structure 21

E = -338.992069 a.u.

E+V = -338.983950 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| O  | -0.00006900 | 0.21041800  | -0.08177600 |
| C  | 0.01425000  | -0.11928900 | 2.85422600  |
| Nb | 1.87244000  | 0.09575600  | 2.32428200  |
| Nb | -0.25578800 | 1.19131800  | 1.44895300  |
| Rh | 1.93652400  | -0.45040000 | 0.08317400  |

### Structure 22

E = -339.000648 a.u.

E+V = -338.992708 a.u.

|    |             |             |            |
|----|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C  | 0.21438900  | 0.35682100  | 0.20714000 |
| O  | -0.37174900 | 0.32367600  | 3.61791700 |
| Rh | 1.69664300  | -0.31048600 | 1.18354200 |
| Nb | 1.30687600  | 0.92156200  | 3.13983500 |
| Nb | -0.66350300 | 1.17745800  | 1.65556600 |

### Structure 23

E = -339.001930 a.u.

E+V = -338.994134 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | -1.618421 | 0.803155  | 0.994322  |
| C  | 0.359116  | -1.701724 | 0.373122  |
| Rh | 1.569598  | -0.310214 | 0.041709  |
| Nb | -1.283152 | -0.861750 | -0.154156 |
| Nb | -0.176341 | 1.294547  | -0.140239 |

#### Structure 24

E = -339.023370 a.u.

E+V = -339.015228 a.u.

|    |           |           |           |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| O  | 1.459697  | 0.906897  | 1.139469  |
| C  | -0.145182 | -1.053381 | -0.240882 |
| Rh | -1.890699 | -0.381730 | 0.098162  |
| Nb | 1.757466  | -0.642425 | -0.064580 |
| Nb | 0.054119  | 1.038595  | -0.230243 |

#### Structure 25

E = -339.032610 a.u.

E+V = -339.024429 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| O  | 0.27893500  | 0.82110400  | -0.02414600 |
| C  | -0.66840500 | 0.01286100  | 2.44953000  |
| Nb | 0.83646600  | -0.58938600 | 1.26799100  |
| Nb | -1.44139000 | 0.28047100  | 0.72909800  |
| Rh | -0.48074400 | -2.20141900 | 0.31738300  |

#### Structure 26

E = -339.038163 a.u.

E+V = -339.030163 a.u.

|    |             |             |            |
|----|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C  | 1.04460500  | -1.14956000 | 1.61584700 |
| O  | 1.00971000  | -0.30759200 | 4.35978400 |
| Nb | 1.85373100  | 0.30916900  | 2.67724300 |
| Nb | -0.32188800 | -0.55474900 | 2.91453000 |
| Rh | -0.07034200 | 1.68579400  | 1.71727300 |

#### Structure 27

E = -339.052122 a.u.

E+V = -339.043268 a.u.

|    |             |             |            |
|----|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C  | 0.67443300  | -0.78704500 | 1.09773200 |
| O  | -0.30467700 | 0.51896300  | 3.67053800 |
| Nb | 1.54869800  | 0.58151900  | 0.16845700 |
| Nb | 1.14414600  | -0.08826900 | 2.90025500 |
| Rh | 2.40929700  | 1.76601600  | 2.01123000 |

## NbRh<sub>2</sub>CO

### Structure 28

E = -392.666350 a.u.

E+V = -392.658626 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| O  | -3.14236100 | -0.16067900 | -0.00009600 |
| C  | -4.28573800 | 0.08895700  | 0.00037400  |
| Rh | -1.03839900 | -0.46935700 | -0.00007400 |
| Rh | 1.74340900  | -0.58977800 | 0.00005100  |
| Nb | 0.46653300  | 1.18079900  | -0.00001100 |

### Structure 29

E = -392.673100 a.u.

E+V = -392.665811 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| O  | -2.64064700 | -0.01299300 | -0.29963700 |
| C  | -3.67477400 | -0.01525900 | -0.94310800 |
| Rh | 0.81218800  | -1.41908500 | -0.15709300 |
| Rh | 0.79585400  | 1.42750600  | -0.15645200 |
| Nb | -0.71190400 | -0.00447400 | 0.54061600  |

### Structure 30

E = -392.676413 a.u.

E+V = -392.668888 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Rh | -0.00562000 | -0.16408200 | -0.04406200 |
| Rh | 0.01158300  | -0.12820900 | 2.84818500  |
| Nb | 1.85015900  | -0.27768900 | 1.39231200  |
| C  | 0.35362300  | 1.24238400  | 1.38234100  |
| O  | 1.78311600  | 1.66595100  | 1.36683100  |

### Structure 31

E = -392.679210 a.u.

E+V = -392.671770 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| O  | -3.16272200 | -0.00621600 | -0.18881000 |
| C  | -2.79706500 | -0.00553500 | 0.99312500  |
| Rh | 0.83384900  | -1.42870700 | 0.05714800  |
| Rh | 0.82634400  | 1.43279400  | 0.05698500  |
| Nb | -0.79572000 | -0.00246300 | -0.23376300 |

### Structure 32

E = -392.690049 a.u.

E+V = -392.682936 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Rh | -0.44581700 | -0.00930400 | 0.12091400  |
| Rh | 0.14764500  | 0.01091100  | 2.72662600  |
| Nb | 1.84662900  | -0.25020600 | 1.32331100  |
| O  | 2.83831500  | 1.18157300  | 1.34680500  |
| C  | -0.16223300 | 1.36789500  | -0.81038600 |

### Structure 33

E = -392.705174 a.u.

E+V = -392.696291 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Rh | 0.00624500  | 0.06511200  | -0.01817200 |
| Rh | 0.00624500  | 0.06511300  | 2.81917000  |
| Nb | 1.78642300  | -0.11203500 | 1.40049800  |
| C  | -1.04317700 | 0.99836600  | 1.40049800  |
| O  | -1.91669400 | 1.83844900  | 1.40049800  |

### Structure 34

E = -392.706525 a.u.

E+V = -392.697885 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Rh | -0.07467600 | 0.03372400  | -0.02099400 |
| Rh | -0.07786700 | 0.02734000  | 2.82244800  |
| Nb | 1.55316300  | -0.39522400 | 1.40176600  |
| C  | 2.94409300  | 1.20348200  | 1.40937500  |
| O  | 3.55311300  | 2.22269600  | 1.41266800  |

### Structure 35

E = -392.705809 a.u.

E+V = -392.698316 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Rh | -0.15372500 | 0.02347000  | -0.26847700 |
| Rh | 0.07213900  | -0.60830800 | 2.32429600  |
| Nb | 2.15362300  | 0.34557200  | 1.34035600  |
| O  | 1.56098500  | 1.40498800  | 0.01451200  |
| C  | 0.98225700  | -1.16572500 | 0.70691300  |

### Structure 36

E = -392.715980 a.u.

E+V = -392.707041 a.u.

|    |            |             |            |
|----|------------|-------------|------------|
| Rh | 0.05398700 | -0.28255400 | 0.11220300 |
| Rh | 0.04073600 | 0.03612600  | 2.91777600 |
| Nb | 1.75841900 | 0.30784000  | 1.34393800 |
| C  | 1.64766900 | -1.13664400 | 2.91431700 |
| O  | 1.94587500 | -2.12348800 | 3.56316800 |

### Structure 37

E = -392.718063 a.u.

E+V = -392.710306 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Rh | -0.69034500 | 0.49472900  | 0.67734600  |
| Rh | -0.16528100 | -0.87578000 | 2.78247100  |
| Nb | 1.51455700  | 0.77740900  | 1.11778200  |
| C  | 1.55028500  | -0.65606200 | 2.71513200  |
| O  | 2.40606200  | 0.25970000  | -0.29023600 |

### Structure 38

E = -392.720920 a.u.

E+V = -392.711660 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| O  | 3.06882100  | 0.00077100  | 0.00102800  |
| C  | 1.86762100  | 0.00177600  | -0.00025600 |
| Rh | 0.31546400  | 1.29270600  | -0.00019400 |
| Rh | 0.31771800  | -1.29192800 | -0.00019400 |
| Nb | -1.56706100 | -0.00126400 | 0.00026200  |

### Structure 39

E = -392.730064 a.u.

E+V = -392.721689 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Rh | -0.09215500 | -0.05423200 | -0.24466300 |
| Rh | -0.09215500 | -0.05423400 | 3.04565900  |
| Nb | 1.98712600  | 0.04899600  | 1.40049900  |
| C  | 0.15021600  | -0.79717400 | 1.40049800  |
| O  | 3.15313400  | -1.24061500 | 1.40049900  |

### Structure 40

E = -392.733314 a.u.

E+V = -392.723882 a.u.

|    |             |            |             |
|----|-------------|------------|-------------|
| Rh | -0.71498900 | 0.00000000 | -0.44416800 |
| Rh | 0.18540600  | 0.00000000 | 2.33578100  |
| Nb | 1.30220900  | 0.00000000 | 0.28082700  |
| C  | 1.53323600  | 0.00000000 | 3.58405800  |
| O  | 2.45525100  | 0.00000000 | 4.33136000  |

### Structure 41

E = -392.758849 a.u.

E+V = -392.750547 a.u.

|    |             |             |             |
|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Rh | 1.06503700  | -1.11916300 | -0.26090200 |
| Rh | 1.06198600  | -1.12005900 | 3.06201400  |
| Nb | 0.78753300  | 0.64083700  | 1.39992800  |
| C  | 1.34619100  | -1.77416700 | 1.40058800  |
| O  | -0.82159000 | 1.30229000  | 1.40086700  |

Table S1. Relative energy differences for the global minima of Nb<sub>2</sub>Rh and NbRh<sub>2</sub> and their respective CO complexes at varying multiplicities.

| CLUSTER              | E(S = 1/2)<br>(inc. ZPE)<br>(a.u.) | ΔE<br>(w.r.t. S = 1/2)<br>(eV) | E(S = 3/2)<br>(inc. ZPE)<br>(a.u.) | ΔE<br>(w.r.t. S = 1/2)<br>(eV) | E(S = 5/2)<br>(inc. ZPE)<br>(a.u.) | ΔE<br>(w.r.t. S = 1/2)<br>(eV) | E(S = 7/2)<br>(inc. ZPE)<br>(a.u.) | ΔE<br>(w.r.t. S = 1/2)<br>(eV) |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Nb <sub>2</sub> Rh   | -225.370183                        | 0.00                           | -225.362613                        | 0.21                           | -225.342142                        | 0.76                           | -225.324457                        | 1.24                           |
| NbRh <sub>2</sub>    | -279.131345                        | 0.00                           | -279.102460                        | 0.79                           | -279.071854                        | 1.62                           | -279.046627                        | 2.31                           |
| Nb <sub>2</sub> RhCO | -339.043269                        | 0.00                           | -339.023089                        | 0.55                           | -339.005319                        | 1.03                           | -338.974929                        | 1.86                           |
| NbRh <sub>2</sub> CO | -392.750547                        | 0.00                           | -392.736535                        | 0.38                           | -392.689867                        | 1.65                           | -392.648923                        | 2.77                           |