



MSA Declares First Quarter Dividend

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PITTSBURGH, Jan. 16 /PRNewswire/ -- The Board of Directors of Mine Safety Appliances Company (Amex: MSA) at its meeting on January 15, 2001 declared a first quarter dividend of 12 cents per share on common stock, payable March 10, 2001 to shareholders of record on February 23, 2001.

The Board also declared a dividend of 56-1/4 cents per share on preferred stock, payable March 1, 2001 to shareholders of record on February 16, 2001.

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