



MSA Increases Second Quarter Dividend

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PITTSBURGH, May 9 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- The Board of Directors of Mine Safety Appliances Company (Amex: MSA) at its meeting on May 8, 2003 declared a second quarter dividend of 20 cents per share on common stock, payable June 10, 2003 to shareholders of record on May 21, 2003. This represents an increase from the previous quarterly dividend of 17 cents.

The Board also declared a dividend of 56-1/4 cents per share on preferred stock, payable June 1, 2003 to shareholders of record on May 21, 2003.

SOURCE Mine Safety Appliances Company