



News Release

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ATMOS ENERGY INCREASES ANNUAL DIVIDEND

DALLAS (November 10, 2009)—Atmos Energy Corporation (NYSE: ATO) said today that its Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend increase on the company's common stock of approximately 2 percent to 33.5 cents a share. The indicated annual dividend is \$1.34. This is the company's 22nd consecutive annual dividend increase.

The dividend will be paid on December 10, 2009, to shareholders of record on November 25, 2009. This is the company's 104th consecutive dividend.

Atmos Energy Corporation, headquartered in Dallas, is the country's largest natural-gas-only distributor, serving over 3 million natural gas distribution customers in more than 1,600 communities in 12 states from the Blue Ridge Mountains in the East to the Rocky Mountains in the West. Atmos Energy also provides natural gas marketing and procurement services to industrial, commercial and municipal customers primarily in the Midwest and Southeast and manages company-owned natural gas pipeline and storage assets, including one of the largest intrastate natural gas pipeline systems in Texas. Atmos Energy is a Fortune 500 company. For more information, visit www.atmosenergy.com.

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