



## **ALLETE Board of Directors Raises Quarterly Common Stock Dividend**

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DULUTH, Minn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 1, 2019-- ALLETE, Inc. (NYSE:ALE) today announced that its Board of Directors has increased the quarterly dividend on the company's common stock to 58.75 cents per share, a five percent increase.

"ALLETE's board is confident with this dividend increase given our strong earnings growth outlook," said ALLETE Chairman, CEO and President Al Hodnik. "We are well positioned for dividend increases in the coming years while maintaining an appropriate dividend payout ratio."

On an annual basis, the increased dividend is equivalent to \$2.35 per share. The regular quarterly dividend is payable Mar. 1 to common shareholders of record at the close of business Feb. 15, 2019.

ALLETE, Inc. is an energy company headquartered in Duluth, Minnesota. In addition to its electric utilities, Minnesota Power and Superior Water, Light and Power of Wisconsin; ALLETE owns ALLETE Clean Energy, based in Duluth; BNI Energy in Bismarck; North Dakota; U.S. Water in St. Michael, Minnesota; and has an eight percent equity interest in the American Transmission Co. More information about ALLETE is available at [www.allete.com](http://www.allete.com).  
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