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ALLETE Board of Directors Declares Dividend on Common Stock

DULUTH, Minn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The ALLETE, Inc. (NYSE: ALE) board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of 52 cents per share of common stock.

On an annual basis the dividend is equivalent to \$2.08 per share, unchanged from the previous quarter.

The regular quarterly dividend is payable September 1 to common stock shareholders of record at the close of business August 15, 2016.

ALLETE is an energy company headquartered in Duluth, Minn. In addition to its electric utilities, Minnesota Power and Superior Water, Light and Power of Wisconsin, ALLETE owns ALLETE Clean Energy, based in Duluth, U.S. Water Services headquartered in St. Michael, Minn., BNI Energy in Center, N.D., and has an eight percent equity interest in the American Transmission Co. More information about ALLETE is available at www.allete.com. ALE-CORP

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