



## **ALLETE's second quarter earnings release and conference call August 5**

DULUTH, Minn.—ALLETE, Inc. (NYSE:ALE) will announce its financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2009 with a news release scheduled to be issued before the market opens on Wednesday, August 5, 2009.

Following the release, ALLETE Chairman and CEO Donald J. Shippar and Chief Financial Officer Mark A. Schober will present an overview of results and discuss other factors affecting performance during a conference call beginning at 10 a.m. Eastern time.

Interested parties can listen to the conference by calling (719) 325-4775 or by listening to a Webcast on ALLETE's Web site, [www.allete.com](http://www.allete.com).

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