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DULUTH, Minn. - The ALLETE, Inc. (NYSE: ALE) board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of 50.5 cents per share of common stock.

On an annual basis the dividend is equivalent to \$2.02 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 14, 2015.

ALLETE, Inc. is an energy company headquartered in Duluth, Minnesota. ALLETE's energy businesses include Minnesota Power, Superior Water, Light & Power Co., BNI Coal, ALLETE Clean Energy, and U. S. Water Services, Inc. More information about the company is available at <u>www.allete.com</u>.

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