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## ***MSA Declares First Quarter Dividend***

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PITTSBURGH, January 13, 2015 – The Board of Directors of MSA Safety Incorporated (NYSE: MSA) today declared a first quarter dividend of 31 cents per share on common stock, payable March 10, 2015 to shareholders of record on February 12, 2015. MSA, which was founded in 1914, has paid a dividend to shareholders for more than 50 consecutive years.

The Board also declared a dividend of 56-1/4 cents per share on preferred stock, payable March 1, 2015 to shareholders of record on February 12, 2015.

## ***About MSA***

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*Established in 1914, MSA Safety Incorporated is the global leader in the development, manufacture and supply of safety products that protect people and facility infrastructures. Many MSA products integrate a combination of electronics, mechanical systems and advanced materials to protect users against hazardous or life-threatening situations. The company's comprehensive line of products is used by workers around the world in a broad range of markets, including the oil, gas and petrochemical industry, the fire service, the construction industry, mining, and the military. The company's core products include self-contained breathing apparatus, fixed gas and flame detection systems, portable gas detection instruments, head protection products and fall protection devices. With annual revenues of \$1.1 billion, MSA employs approximately 5,300 people worldwide. The company is headquartered north of Pittsburgh in Cranberry Township, Pa., and has manufacturing operations in the United States, Europe, Asia and Latin America. With more than 40 international locations, MSA realizes approximately half of its revenue from outside North America. For more information, visit MSA's website at [www.MSAafety.com](http://www.MSAafety.com).*

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