

Unitil Declares Common Stock Dividend

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Hampton, NH; March 16, 2000 – Unitil Corporation (AMEX:UTL) today announced that its Board of Directors declared the regular quarterly dividend on the Company's common stock of \$0.345 per share, payable on May 15, 2000 to shareholders of record on May 1, 2000. This quarterly dividend results in a current effective annual dividend rate of \$1.38 per share.

Unitil Corporation is a public utility holding company with subsidiaries providing electric service in New Hampshire, electric and gas service in Massachusetts and energy services throughout the Northeast. Its subsidiaries are Concord Electric Company, Exeter & Hampton Electric Company, Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company, Unitil Power Corp., Unitil Resources, Inc. and Unitil Service Corp.

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