



## Universal Forest Products Announces Semi-Annual Dividend

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GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., April 21 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Universal Forest Products, Inc. (Nasdaq: UFPI) announced a semi-annual dividend of \$0.045 per share, payable on June 15, 2003 to shareholders of record as of June 1, 2003. The company has paid an annual cash dividend since 1983, a semi-annual dividend since 1990, and has increased its dividend in each of the past eight years. This is the company's twenty-ninth consecutive semi-annual cash dividend.

"We're pleased to be in a position to offer this dividend to the shareholders who have placed their faith in Universal Forest Products," said Peter F. Secchia, UFPI's chairman of the board. "Everything we do, every day, is done with the intent of maintaining that trust by building our success."

Universal Forest Products markets, manufactures, and engineers wood and wood alternative products for D-I-Y retail home centers, structural lumber products for the manufactured housing industry, engineered wood components for the site-built construction market and specialty wood packaging for various industries. For information about Universal Forest Products on the Internet, please visit the company's Web site at [www.ufpi.com](http://www.ufpi.com), or call 888-Buy-UFPI.

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