



## Universal Forest Products Announces Cash Dividend

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GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Apr 17, 2009 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Universal Forest Products, Inc. (Nasdaq:UFPI) today announced a semi-annual dividend of \$0.06 per share, payable June 15, 2009 to shareholders of record on June 1, 2009. The dividend was approved by the Company's Board of Directors at their April 15, 2009 meeting. It marks the 27th consecutive year the Company has paid a dividend.

"We are pleased to offer this dividend to the valued investors who place their trust in us," said Executive Chairman William G. Currie. "They honor and encourage us, and we're working hard to continue to earn their confidence and to make sure they remain pleased with their investment in Universal."

Universal Forest Products, Inc. is a holding company that provides capital, management and administrative resources to subsidiaries that design, manufacture and market wood and wood-alternative products for DIY/retail home centers and other retailers, structural lumber products for the manufactured housing industry, engineered wood components for the site-built construction market, and specialty wood packaging and components for various industries. The Company's consumer products subsidiary offers a large portfolio of outdoor living products, including wood composite decking, decorative balusters, and plastic lattice, and its garden group offers an array of products, such as trellises and arches, to retailers nationwide. Universal's subsidiaries also provide framing services for the site-built market and forming products for concrete construction. The 54-year-old company is headquartered in Grand Rapids, Mich., with facilities throughout North America. For more about Universal, go to [www.ufpi.com](http://www.ufpi.com).

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