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On April 25, 2018, Exxon Mobil Corporation (XOM) announced that its Board of Directors approved a 6.5% increase in its quarterly cash dividend per share to \$0.82 (\$3.28 annually) from \$0.77 (\$3.08 annually). The dividend is payable June 11, 2018 to shareholders of record as of May 14, 2018.

From the press release: “Through its dividends, the corporation has shared its success with its shareholders for more than 100 years and has increased its annual dividend payment to shareholders for 36 consecutive years.”

ExxonMobil, the largest publicly traded international oil and gas company, uses technology and innovation to help meet the world’s growing energy needs. The company holds an industry-leading inventory of resources and is one of the world’s largest integrated refiners, marketers of petroleum products and chemical manufacturers.

Also on April 25, 2018, Xilinx, Inc. (XLNX) announced that its Board of Directors approved a 2.9% increase in its quarterly cash dividend per share to \$0.36 (\$1.44 annually) from \$0.35 (\$1.40 annually). The dividend is payable June 4, 2018 to shareholders of record as of May 15, 2018.

From the press release: “During fiscal year 2018, Xilinx returned approximately \$828 million to shareholders. This included \$475 million through share repurchases at an average price of \$68.30 per share and \$353 million through dividends. Xilinx recently increased its quarterly dividend by \$0.01 per share to \$0.36 per share, effective in the June quarter of fiscal year 2019, marking its 13th consecutive year of dividend increases.”

Xilinx develops highly flexible and adaptive processing platforms that enable rapid innovation across a variety of technologies – from the endpoint to the edge to the cloud. Xilinx is the inventor of the FPGA, hardware programmable SoCs and the ACAP, designed to deliver the most dynamic processor technology in the industry and enable the adaptable, intelligent and connected world of the future.

Exxon Mobil Corp. is in the Energy sector and Xilinx Inc. is in the Information Technology sector of our Dearborn Partners Core Rising Dividend separately managed account (SMA) portfolio. So far this year, 23 of 49 companies in this portfolio have announced 25 dividend increases. The average of these dividend increases is about 12.4% more than these companies paid a year earlier.

Thank you for your interest in our Dearborn Partners Rising Dividend Strategy.

There is no assurance that any Rising Dividend portfolio company will increase its dividend, or not reduce its dividend, or not have a significant decrease in its stock price. All investing involves risk.