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Another Dearborn Partners Core Rising Dividend SMA Portfolio Increase: Accenture plc

On September 24, 2020, Accenture plc (ACN) announced a 10% increase in its quarterly cash dividend per share to \$0.88 (\$3.52 annually) from \$0.80 (\$3.20 annually). The dividend is payable on November 13, 2020 to shareholders of record on October 13, 2020. This is the 15th consecutive annual increase in the dividend paid by Accenture to its shareholders.

Accenture is a leading global professional services company, providing a broad range of services in strategy and consulting, interactive, technology and operations, with digital capabilities across all of these services. The company combines unmatched experience and specialized capabilities across more than 40 industries — powered by the world’s largest network of Advanced Technology and Intelligent Operations centers. With 506,000 people serving clients in more than 120 countries, Accenture brings continuous innovation to help clients improve their performance and create lasting value across their enterprises.

Accenture is in the Information Technology sector of our Dearborn Partners Core Rising Dividend separately managed account (SMA) portfolio. So far this year, 30 of the 49 companies in this portfolio have announced 35 dividend increases. The average of these dividend increases is about 7.6% more than these companies paid a year earlier. So far this year, no companies in this portfolio have cut or suspended dividends.

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

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