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Another Dearborn Partners Core Rising and High & Rising Dividend SMA Portfolio Increase: Automatic Data Processing, Inc.

On November 11, 2020, Automatic Data Processing, Inc. (ADP) announced a 2.2% increase in its quarterly dividend per share to \$0.93 (\$3.72 annually) from \$0.91 (\$3.64 annually). The cash dividend will be paid on January 1, 2021 to holders of record as of December 11, 2020. This is the 46<sup>th</sup> consecutive annual increase in the dividend paid by Automatic Data Processing, Inc.

From the press release: "This increase in our quarterly dividend represents a strong signal of the board's confidence in ADP's future and our ability to navigate the present economic uncertainty. Our dividend is a cornerstone to our long-standing commitment to shareholder-friendly actions, and we are pleased to increase it for a 46<sup>th</sup> consecutive year," said Carlos Rodriguez.

About ADP: Designing better ways to work through cutting-edge products, premium services and exceptional experiences that enable people to reach their full potential. HR, Talent, Time Management, Benefits and Payroll. Informed by data and designed for people.

Automatic Data Processing, Inc. is in the Information Technology sector of both of our Dearborn Partners Rising Dividend separately managed account (SMA) portfolios. So far this year, 36 of 49 companies in our Core Rising Dividend portfolio have announced 41 dividend increases averaging about 7.2% more than these companies paid a year earlier. In our High & Rising Dividend Portfolio, 20 of 25 companies have announced 23 dividend increases averaging about 5.7% more than these companies paid a year earlier. No companies in these portfolios have reduced or suspended dividends so far this year.

On this Veteran's Day, we send our thanks to all members of our military and their families for keeping our nation safe and strong.

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

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