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Another Dearborn Partners Core Rising Dividend SMA Portfolio Increase: Abbott Laboratories

On December 10, 2021, Abbott Laboratories (ABT) announced a 4.4% increase in its quarterly dividend per share to \$0.47 (\$1.88 annually) from \$0.45 (\$1.80 annually). The cash dividend will be paid on February 15, 2022 to holders of record as of January 14, 2022. This is the 50th consecutive annual increase in the dividend paid by Abbott Laboratories.

From the Press Release: "Fifty years of dividend growth reflects the consistently strong performance of our diversified business model," said Robert B. Ford, president and chief executive officer, Abbott. "It exemplifies our longstanding commitment to delivering sustainable growth that fuels innovation as well as shareholder returns."

Abbott is a global healthcare leader that helps people live more fully at all stages of life. Its portfolio of life-changing technologies spans the spectrum of healthcare, with leading businesses and products in diagnostics, medical devices, nutritionals and branded generic medicines. Abbott's 109,000 colleagues serve people in more than 160 countries.

Abbott Laboratories is in the Health Care sector of our Dearborn Partners Core Rising Dividend separately managed account (SMA) portfolio. All 49 companies in our Core Rising Dividend SMA portfolio have announced dividend increases in year 2021. Forty-nine companies announced 54 dividend increases averaging about 9.8% more than these companies paid a year earlier. No companies in this portfolio have reduced or suspended dividends so far this year.

Thank you for your continued interest in our Dearborn Partners Rising Dividend Strategy. The Dearborn Partners Rising Dividend team wishes you and your loved ones a joyous holiday season. We are truly grateful for your partnership. We look forward to 2022 and what we hope will be a year full of good health, happiness, prosperity, and lots of rising dividends!

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