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Another Dearborn Partners Core Rising and High & Rising Dividend SMA Portfolio Increase: Republic Services, Inc.

On July 24, 2024, Republic Services, Inc. (RSG) announced an 8.4% increase in its quarterly dividend per share to \$0.58 (\$2.32 annually) from \$0.535 (\$2.14 annually). The cash dividend will be paid on October 15, 2024 to holders of record as of October 2, 2024. This is the 21st consecutive annual increase in the dividend paid by Republic Services, Inc.

From the press release:

"We continue to prioritize our differentiating capabilities – Customer Zeal, Digital and Sustainability – to help our customers achieve their operational and sustainability goals, and drive significant value for our stakeholders," said Jon Vander Ark, president and chief executive officer. "During the second quarter, we delivered double-digit growth in EBITDA and EPS, and expanded EBITDA margin by 110 basis points. Pricing in excess of cost inflation and solid operational execution underpinned strong results across the business. As a result of our performance and outlook for the remainder of the year, we are raising our full-year financial guidance."

Republic continues to increase cash returns to shareholders, and announced today that its Board of Directors approved a 4.5-cent increase in the quarterly dividend.

Republic Services, Inc. is a leader in the environmental services industry. Through its subsidiaries, the Company provides customers with the most complete set of products and services, including recycling, solid waste, special waste, hazardous waste and field services. Republic's industry-leading commitments to advance circularity and support decarbonization are helping deliver on its vision to partner with customers to create a more sustainable world.

Republic Services, Inc. is in the Industrials sector of both of our Dearborn Partners Rising Dividend separately managed account (SMA) portfolios. So far this year, 22 of 49 companies in our Core Rising Dividend portfolio have announced 22 dividend increases averaging about 8.1% more than these companies paid a year earlier. In our High & Rising Dividend Portfolio, 15 of 25 companies have announced 17 dividend increases averaging about 5.4% more than these companies paid a year earlier. No companies in these portfolios have reduced or suspended dividends so far this year.

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

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