



Chemed Corporation Holds Annual Shareholders' Meeting; Board Declares Quarterly Dividend

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CINCINNATI, May 17, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) --Shareholders of Chemed Corporation (NYSE:CHE) today elected a slate of 10 directors at the company's 2010 annual shareholders' meeting. Each of the directors continues from the prior term.

Shareholders also adopted the company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan and ratified the continuation of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the company's independent accountants for 2010.

Dividend Declared

Following the shareholders' meeting, Chemed's Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 12 cents per share on the company's capital stock, payable on June 16, 2010, to shareholders of record May 27, 2010. This represents the 156th consecutive quarterly dividend paid to shareholders in Chemed's 39 years as a public company.

Listed on the New York Stock Exchange and headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, Chemed Corporation (www.chemed.com) operates two wholly owned subsidiaries: VITAS Healthcare and Roto-Rooter. VITAS is the nation's largest provider of end-of-life hospice care, and Roto-Rooter is the nation's leading provider of plumbing and drain cleaning services.

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