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A. M. Castle & Co. Declares Quarterly Cash Dividend

FRANKLIN PARK, IL., JANUARY 30TH - A. M. CASTLE & CO. (AMEX:CAS), a North American distributor of highly engineered metals and plastics, announced today that its Board of Directors approved a quarterly dividend of 6 cents per share. This dividend is payable February 27, 2006 to shareholders of record at close of business on February 13th, 2006.

Founded in 1890, A. M. Castle & Co. provides highly engineered materials and value added services to a wide range of companies within the producer durable equipment sector of the economy. Its customer base includes many Fortune 500 companies as well as thousands of medium and smaller-sized firms spread across a wide spectrum of industries. Within its core metals business, it specializes in the distribution of carbon, alloy and stainless steels; nickel alloys; and aluminum. Through its subsidiary, Total Plastics, Inc., the Company also distributes a broad range of value-added industrial plastics. Together, Castle operates over 50 locations throughout North America. Its common stock is traded on the American and Chicago Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "CAS".