



# News Release

ATCO LTD.

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## ATCO Ltd. Eligible Dividends

CALGARY, Alberta – The Board of Directors of ATCO Ltd. today declared a first quarter dividend of 25.0 cents per Class I Non-Voting and Class II Voting share, a 6.4% increase over the 23.5 cents paid in each of the previous four quarters. The dividend is payable March 31, 2009, to shareholders of record on March 9, 2009.

The Board also declared the following Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Share Dividend:

Shares	TSX Stock Symbol	Dividend Per Share (\$)	Record Date (2009)	Payment Date (2009)
5.75% Series 3	ACO.PR.A	0.359375	06-Feb	01-Mar

These dividends are eligible dividends for Canadian income tax purposes.

ATCO Group, an Alberta-based worldwide organization of companies with assets of approximately \$8.5 billion and more than 7,800 employees, is comprised of three main business divisions: Power Generation, Utilities (natural gas and electricity transmission and distribution) and Global Enterprises (industrial manufacturing, technology, logistics and energy services).

More information about ATCO Ltd. can be found on its website [www.atco.com](http://www.atco.com).

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#### Forward-Looking Information:

Certain statements contained in this news release may constitute forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are often, but not always, identified by the use of words such as "anticipate", "plan", "expect", "may", "will", "intend", "should", and similar expressions. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements. The Corporation believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, but no assurance can be given that these expectations will prove to be correct and such forward-looking statements should not be unduly relied upon.

The Corporation's actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of regulatory decisions, competitive factors in the industries in which the Corporation operates, prevailing economic conditions, and other factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Corporation.

The forward-looking statements contained in this news release represent the Corporation's expectations as of the date hereof, and are subject to change after such date. The Corporation disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required under applicable securities regulations.

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