

## News Release

### Eversource Energy Raises Common Dividend By 6%

**HARTFORD, Conn. and BOSTON, Mass. (February 6, 2019)** – The Board of Trustees of Eversource Energy (NYSE:ES) today approved a quarterly dividend of \$0.535 per share, payable on March 29, 2019, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on March 5, 2019.

The March 2019 dividend represents an approximately 6 percent increase over the previous quarterly dividend level.

“This increase illustrates the long-term soundness of our strategy to grow our business at an attractive rate through operational excellence, financial strength and meeting the rising clean energy needs of New England energy consumers,” said Jim Judge, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Eversource Energy.

Eversource Energy operates New England’s largest energy delivery company with nearly 4 million electric, natural gas and water customers in Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. It has approximately 317 million common shares outstanding.

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