Snap-on Incorporated



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Snap-on Increases Quarterly Dividend 6.3% Quarterly Cash Dividend Increases to \$0.34

KENOSHA, Wis. — November 4, 2011 — Snap-on Incorporated's (NYSE: SNA) Board of Directors declared today a quarterly common stock dividend of \$0.34 per share payable December 9, 2011, to shareholders of record on November 18, 2011. This represents an increase of \$0.02 per share, or 6.3%, over Snap-on's previous quarterly dividend of \$0.32 per share.

"Snap-on's dividend is an essential part of our capital allocation strategy, as demonstrated by our payment of consecutive quarterly cash dividends, without interruption or reduction, since 1939," said Nick Pinchuk, Snap-on chairman and chief executive officer. "This quarterly dividend increase reflects both our current performance and our belief that Snap-on is well-positioned for the future, while underscoring our commitment to create long-term value for our shareholders."

About Snap-on

Snap-on Incorporated is a leading global innovator, manufacturer and marketer of tools, equipment, diagnostics, repair information and systems solutions for professional users performing critical tasks. Products and services include hand and power tools, tool storage, diagnostics software, information and management systems, shop equipment and other solutions for vehicle dealerships and repair centers, as well as customers in industry, government, agriculture, aviation and natural resources. Products and services are sold through the company's franchisee, company-direct, distributor and Internet channels. Founded in 1920, Snap-on is a \$2.6 billion, S&P 500 company headquartered in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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