## **MSA Declares Third Quarter Dividend**

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 2, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- The Board of Directors of MSA (NYSE: MSA) today declared a third quarter dividend of 28 cents per share on common stock, payable September 10, 2012 to shareholders of record on August 14, 2012.

The Board also declared a dividend of 56-1/4 cents per share on preferred stock, payable September 1, 2012 to shareholders of record on August 14, 2012.

## About MSA:

Established in 1914, MSA is a global leader in the development, manufacture and supply of safety products that protect people and facility infrastructures. Many MSA products integrate a combination of electronics, mechanical systems and advanced materials to protect users against hazardous or life-threatening situations. The company's comprehensive line of products is used by workers around the world in a broad range of industries, including the fire service, the oil, gas and petrochemical industry, construction, mining and utilities, as well as the military. Principal products include self-contained breathing apparatus, fixed gas and flame detection systems, handheld gas detection instruments, head protection products, fall protection devices and thermal imaging cameras. The company also provides a broad range of consumer and contractor safety products through a joint venture with MCR Safety. These products are marketed and sold under the Safety Works® brand. MSA, based north of Pittsburgh in Cranberry Township, Pa., has annual sales of approximately \$1.2 billion, manufacturing operations in the United States, Europe, Asia and Latin America, and 42 international locations. Additional information is available on the company's Web site at <a href="https://www.MSAsafety.com">www.MSAsafety.com</a>. Information on Safety Works products can be found at <a href="https://www.SafetyWorks.com">www.SafetyWorks.com</a>.

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