

1 Central Securities Corporation Declares Dividend

NEW YORK - May 20, 2009 - The Board of Directors of Central Securities Corporation (NYSE Amex: CET), a closed-end investment company, today declared the following dividend:

<u>Class of Stock</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Record Date</u>	<u>Payment Date</u>
Common Stock	\$0.10	6/5/09	6/19/09

It is ESTIMATED that of the \$0.10 per share to be paid on June 19, 2009, approximately \$0.087 will be taxable as ordinary income and approximately \$0.013 will be taxable as long-term capital gain.

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