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PRESS RELEASE

Utah Medical Products, Inc. Increases Regular Quarterly Dividend

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Salt Lake City, Utah - Utah Medical Products, Inc. (Nasdaq: UTMD) announces that its Board of Directors approved a quarterly cash dividend of twenty-four cents (\$.24) per share of common stock payable on December 29, 2011 to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 14, 2011. This is a two percent (2%) increase over the dividend declared in the most recent prior quarter.

Excluding the special dividend paid at the same time last year, the new quarterly dividend also represents a 6.5% annually compounded increase in UTMD's cash dividends to shareholders since a regular quarterly cash dividend was instituted seven and a half years ago. Over that span of time, UTMD will have returned \$7.18 per share in cash to its shareholders, a total amount of \$27 million paid in cash dividends.

Over the same span in time, UTMD has also returned another \$29 million to shareholders by repurchasing 26% of its outstanding shares.

Utah Medical Products, Inc., with particular interest in health care for women and their babies, develops, manufactures, assembles and markets a broad range of disposable and reusable specialty medical devices. For more information about Utah Medical Products, Inc., visit UTMD's website at www.utahmed.com.