

United Community Banks, Inc. Announces Quarterly Cash Dividend

BLAIRSVILLE, Ga., May 13, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- United Community Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ:UCBI) ("United"), reported that its Board of Directors approved a regular quarterly cash dividend of seven cents per common share. The dividend is payable July 1, 2016, to shareholders of record on June 15, 2016.

The quarterly cash dividend represents a payout ratio of 21 percent based on United's reported first quarter 2016 operating earnings.

About United Community Banks, Inc.

United Community Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ:UCBI) is a registered bank holding company based in Blairsville, Georgia, with \$9.8 billion in assets. The company's banking subsidiary, United Community Bank, is one of the Southeast region's largest fullservice banks, operating 135 offices in Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee. The bank specializes in providing personalized community banking services to individuals, small businesses and corporations. Services include a full range of consumer and commercial banking products, including mortgage, advisory, and treasury management. United Community Banks is consistently recognized for its outstanding customer service by respected national research firms. In 2016, United Community Bank was ranked first in customer satisfaction in the southeast by J.D. Power for the third consecutive year, and again in 2016 was ranked among the top 100 on the Forbes' list of America's Best Banks. Additional information about the company and the bank's full range of products and services can be found at <u>www.ucbi.com</u>.

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