



Whitney Announces Quarterly Common Stock Dividend

NEW ORLEANS, May 20, 2009 (GlobeNewswire via COMTEX News Network) -- The Board of Directors of Whitney Holding Corporation (Nasdaq:WTNY) today declared a quarterly common dividend of \$.01 per common share payable on July 1, 2009 to shareholders of record as of June 15, 2009.

Whitney Holding Corporation, through its banking subsidiary Whitney National Bank, serves the five-state Gulf Coast region stretching from Houston, Texas; across southern Louisiana and the coastal region of Mississippi; to central and south Alabama; the panhandle of Florida; and the Tampa Bay metropolitan area of Florida.

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