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## BD Board Increases Dividend

FRANKLIN LAKES, N.J., Nov. 26, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- The Board of Directors of BD (Becton, Dickinson and Company) (NYSE: BDX) has declared a quarterly dividend of 54.5 cents per common share, an increase of 5 cents per share, or about 10 percent, from the previous quarter. The dividend will be payable on December 31, 2013 to holders of record on December 10, 2013. At the current rate, the annual dividend for fiscal year 2014 would be \$2.18 per share.

"Our strategy of investing and innovating for growth is succeeding, and we look to the future with optimism," said Vincent A. Forlenza, Chairman, CEO and President. "This is the forty-second consecutive fiscal year in which we have raised our dividend. This increase reflects our confidence in our long-term outlook, as well as our ongoing commitment of returning value to our shareholders."

### **About BD**

BD is a leading global medical technology company that develops, manufactures and sells medical devices, instrument systems and reagents. The Company is dedicated to improving people's health throughout the world. BD is focused on improving drug delivery, enhancing the quality and speed of diagnosing infectious diseases and cancers, and advancing research, discovery and production of new drugs and vaccines. BD's capabilities are instrumental in combating many of the world's most pressing diseases. Founded in 1897 and headquartered in Franklin Lakes, New Jersey, BD employs nearly 30,000 associates in more than 50 countries throughout the world. The Company serves healthcare institutions, life science researchers, clinical laboratories, the pharmaceutical industry and the general public. For more information, please visit [www.bd.com](http://www.bd.com).

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