



## **Applied Materials Announces Cash Dividend**

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SANTA CLARA, Calif., Dec 15, 2005 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Applied Materials, Inc. today announced that its board of directors has approved a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.03 per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable on March 9, 2006 to stockholders of record as of February 16, 2006.

Applied Materials, Inc. (NASDAQ:AMAT), headquartered in Santa Clara, California, is the largest supplier of equipment and services to the global semiconductor industry. Applied Materials' Web site is [www.appliedmaterials.com](http://www.appliedmaterials.com).

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