

Citizens Financial Services, Inc. Declares Cash Dividend

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MANSFIELD, Pa., Sept. 19, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- The Board of Directors of Citizens Financial Services, Inc. (CZFS) the bank holding company for First Citizens Community Bank, recently declared a cash dividend for CZFS shareholders.

The cash dividend of \$.285 per share is payable on September 27, 2013 to shareholders of record on September 20, 2013.

The cash dividend compares to the June 28, 2013

cash dividend of \$.271

per share, adjusted for the five percent stock dividend recorded on June 28

, 2013. When combined with the first quarter 2013 accelerated dividend payment of \$.362

paid on

December 31, 2012

, the dividends for the year total

\$1.19

per share adjusted for the stock dividend and continues to represent an attractive dividend yield.

The Board of Directors of Citizens Financial Services accelerated the first quarter dividend due to the significant issues in

Washington

regarding the very complex fiscal cliff tax issues at that time and its intent was to benefit

shareholders that may have been affected by the potential tax increase on dividends during 2013.

"The continued strength of our financial performance has permitted us to continue to pay an attractive cash dividend and reflects the Board of Directors' desire to provide total shareholder return to our shareholder base," stated Randall E. Black, CEO and President.

Citizens Financial Services, Inc. is an \$897 million bank holding company conducting business through First Citizens Community Bank. First Citizens Community Bank operates 17 full-service offices in Pennsylvania and New York as well as two loan production offices in

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