Viacom Announces 21% Increase in Quarterly Cash Dividend

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Viacom Inc. (NASDAQ:VIAB and VIA) today announced that its Board of Directors has approved a 21% increase in its quarterly dividend to \$0.40 per share of Class A and B common stock from \$0.33 per share. The increase will take effect beginning with Viacom's next quarterly dividend, payable on July 1, 2015 to stockholders of record at the close of business on June 15, 2015.

Viacom President and CEO Philippe Dauman said, "Viacom is deeply committed to returning capital directly to our shareholders while investing in high-quality programming, expanding in the U.S. and abroad, and developing new and innovative consumer and advertising initiatives. Our strong balance sheet and substantial cash flow have allowed us to increase our quarterly dividend each year since it was initiated in 2010. We also look forward to resuming our buyback program by October."

About Viacom

Viacom is home to premier global media brands that create compelling television programs, motion pictures, short-form video, apps, games, consumer products, social media and other entertainment content for audiences in more than 165 countries and territories. Viacom's media networks, including Nickelodeon, CMT, Nick Jr., TeenNick, Nicktoons, TV Land, Nick at Nite, MTV, VH1, Comedy Central, SPIKE, Logo, BET, CENTRIC, Channel 5(UK), Tr3s, Paramount Channel and VIVA, reach a cumulative 3.2 billion television subscribers worldwide. Paramount Pictures is a major global producer and distributor of filmed entertainment.

For more information about Viacom and its businesses, visit <u>www.viacom.com</u>. Keep up with Viacom news by following Viacom's blog at <u>blog.viacom.com</u> and Twitter feed at <u>www.twitter.com/viacom</u>.

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This news release contains both historical and forward-looking statements. All statements that are not statements of historical fact are, or may be deemed to be, forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements reflect our current expectations concerning future results, objectives, plans and goals, and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that are difficult to predict and which may cause future results, performance or achievements to differ. These risks, uncertainties and other factors include, among others: the public acceptance of our programs, motion pictures and other entertainment content on the various platforms on which they are distributed; technological developments and their effect in our markets and on consumer behavior; competition for content, audiences, advertising and distribution; the impact of piracy; economic fluctuations in advertising and retail markets, and economic conditions generally; fluctuations in our results due to the timing, mix and availability of our motion pictures and other programming; the potential for loss of carriage or other reduction in the distribution of our content; changes in the Federal communications laws and regulations; evolving cybersecurity and similar risks; other domestic and global economic, business, competitive and/or regulatory factors affecting our businesses generally; and other factors described in our news releases and filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including but not limited to our 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K and reports on Form 10-Q and Form 8-K. The forward-looking statements included in this document are made only as of the date of this document, and we do not have any obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances. If applicable, reconciliations for any non-GAAP financial information contained in this news release are included in this news release or available on our website at http://www.viacom.com.

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