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Community Bankers Trust Corporation Declares Cash Dividend

GLEN ALLEN, Va., August 6, 2008 -- The Board of Directors of Community Bankers Trust Corporation (the "Company" or "CBTC") (AMEX: BTC) has declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.04 per share. Based on the closing price of the Company's stock on August 4, 2008 (\$4.50), the dividend yield is 3.56%. The dividend is payable on August 29, 2008 to shareholders of record as of August 15, 2008.

This dividend is the initial dividend for shareholders of CBTC, which successfully completed the merger of TransCommunity Financial Corporation and BOE Financial Services of Virginia, Inc. on May 31, 2008. As previously announced, on July 31, 2008 TransCommunity Bank, N.A. was successfully merged into the Bank of Essex, which is now the sole wholly-owned subsidiary of CBTC. Bank of Essex has the distinction of obtaining a Five Star rating 18 consecutive quarters by Bauer Financial of Coral Gables, Florida.

ABOUT COMMUNITY BANKERS TRUST CORPORATION

CBTC is a well capitalized, single bank holding company headquartered in the greater Richmond, Virginia market, with approximately \$670 million in assets and \$150 million in capital. It operates 13 full service banking facilities from Virginia's Chesapeake Bay to the Shenandoah Valley under the Bank of Essex, Bank of Goochland, Bank of Powhatan, Bank of Louisa and Bank of Rockbridge brand names.

Additional information about Bank of Essex is available at www.bankofessex.com. The shares of the Company are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "BTC."

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

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