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Marrone Organic Innovations Exceeds Target for Seed Funding Company's CEO to Present at Cleantech Venture Forum on Sept 21

DAVIS, Calif. (Sept 18, 2006) – Marrone Organic Innovations, Inc. (MOI) is pleased to announce that it has raised \$550,000, exceeding its target of \$500,000 in seed financing. The company is on a fast-track start up timeline, having incorporated June 29 and completed its seed financing round by the end of August.

“Our goal was to get an initial \$500,000 in the door quickly to bring in some in-licensed products and set up our in-house discovery while we initiated the search for \$2-3 million of Series A,” said Pam Marrone, CEO and Founder. “We are pleased that it proceeded as planned.” “We have found that our focus on a big unmet need - weed control for organic farming and a strong product pipeline, coupled with the leadership of an experienced entrepreneur and team, has resonated with investors,” said Julie Morris, VP of Finance and Operations.

On Thursday September 21, 2006, MOI CEO Marrone will present at the premier investor conference with a cleantech focus, sponsored by the Cleantech Venture Network® LLC [<http://cleantech.com>]. Seventeen companies were competitively selected to present their companies to investors at the investor forum in New York City. [<http://cleantech.com/documents/Cleantech%20Venture%20Forum%20NY%20Program3.pdf>].

Marrone Organic Innovations (MOI) is a start-up that discovers and develops effective natural products that fill unmet market needs for weed and pest management. Through a combination of in-licensed technology and products and its own R&D, MOI is focusing on target markets in need of effective, safe and environmentally responsible solutions for weed, insect, and nematode control. A primary target is finding products for weed control for organic farming, the single largest cost of organic production. MOI is the only company that is focused on screening and development of natural products from microorganisms that kill weeds, pests and nematodes.

