

# **O·I·CORPORATION**

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **O.I. Corporation Announces Cash Dividend**

College Station, Texas---August 17, 2006—O.I. Corporation (NASDAQ: OICO) today announces that its Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.05 per common share payable on September 12, 2006 to shareholders of record at the close of business on August 28, 2006.

O.I. Corporation, dba OI Analytical, provides innovative products used for chemical analysis. The Company develops, manufactures, sells, and services analytical instrumentation that detects, measures, analyzes, and monitors chemicals in liquids, solids, and gases. The Company provides products used to digest, extract, and separate components of chemical mixtures. The Company provides application-specific solutions for the environmental, defense, pharmaceutical, food, beverage, petrochemical, chemical, semiconductor, power generation, and HVAC industries. Headquartered in College Station, Texas, the Company's products are sold worldwide by direct sales, independent sales representatives, and distributors.

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