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NEWS RELEASE

O.I. CORPORATION ANNOUNCES HIRING OF VICE PRESIDENT/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

College Station, Texas, January 12, 2007. O.I. Corporation (NASDAQ: OICO) announced that J. Bruce Lancaster joined the Company on January 8, 2007 as Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and will be responsible for all financial affairs of OI Corporation.

In his 27-year career in corporate finance, Mr. Lancaster, has gained a thorough working knowledge of accounting operations, strategic business planning, corporate development and SEC reporting. Most recently he served as Executive Vice President and CFO for Boss Holdings, Inc., a publicly traded company. Prior to that he was Vice President of Finance and Administration for Acme Boot Co. Inc. He previously served as Vice President of Finance for the former Kinark Corporation, now known as North American Galvanizing and Coatings, Inc., a publicly traded company. Mr. Lancaster's prior experience includes Controller of the Texas Society of CPAs, Controller for Perry Equipment Corporation and Internal Auditor for US Steel Corporation. Mr. Lancaster holds a BBA and MBA both from Texas A&M University and is a certified public accountant (CPA).

Mr. Will Botts, Chairman and CEO of O.I. said,

"We are pleased that Bruce Lancaster will be joining OI's management team as Chief Financial Officer. I am confident Bruce will be a major contributor in developing and implementing the Company strategies for future growth and enhancement of shareholder value. "

O.I. Corporation (d.b.a. OI Analytical) provides innovative products 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 world-wide by direct sales, independent sales representatives, and distributors.

This press release includes certain statements that may be deemed to be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included in this press release that address activities, events, or developments that the Company expects, believes, or anticipates will or may occur in the future, are forward looking statements. These statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by the Company in light of its experience and its perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. Such statements are subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond the control of the Company. Investors are cautioned that any such statements are not guarantees of future performance and that actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements.