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## **Avineon Recognized as Top 500 Diversity-Owned Business**

**Alexandria, Va.** – Dec. 13, 2006 – Avineon, Inc., a successful provider of IT, engineering, geospatial and program management services, today announced it has been named as a “Top 500 diversity-owned business in the United States (Div500)” by DiversityBusiness.com. Ranging in revenue size from just under \$11 million to more than \$2.6 billion, the companies listed on the seventh annual Div500 represent the nation’s top multicultural earners. Div500 members are sought after by major corporations wishing to increase spending with diversity-owned companies. Avineon has been named to the list multiple years.

The Div500 is a classification that represents the top 500 diversity-owned (women, black, Hispanic, Asian, American Indian and other minority groups) businesses in the United States, in sectors such as technology, manufacturing, food service and professional services. As the nation’s leading multicultural B2B Internet portal, DiversityBusiness.com and the Div500 link large organizational buyers to women-owned and multicultural product and service suppliers.

“Diversity businesses and consumers are a growing force in the U.S. economy,” said Kenton Clarke, CEO of Computer Consulting Associates International, the company that created DiversityBusiness.com. “This is a whole business segment that can carry its own, that provides jobs, products and services, and generates wealth for its communities. These are the new leaders in American business.”

For the complete list of Div500 companies, please visit:

<http://www.diversitybusiness.com/Resources/DivLists/2006/Diversity/2006Div500.htm>

### **About Avineon**

Avineon, a CMMI Maturity Level 3 and ISO 9001:2000 registered company, is a diversified high technology company that provides Information Technology (IT), engineering, geospatial and program management services. With headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia, and offices in Alabama and Florida, Avineon employs more than 140 staff in the United States, and with subsidiaries in Europe and India employs more than 400 total staff. In IT, Avineon specializes in web-based architecture, systems engineering, application development, and on-going network and security support. For additional information please visit [www.avineon.com](http://www.avineon.com).

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