STARTEK INC Form 8-K February 29, 2012

# **UNITED STATES**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# Form 8-K

# **Current Report**

#### Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 28, 2012

# STARTEK, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 1-12793 (Commission File Number) 84-1370538 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

#### 44 Cook Street Suite 400, Denver, Colorado 80206

(Address of principal executive offices; zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (303) 262-4500

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On February 28, 2012, StarTek, Inc. (the Company ) and StarTek USA, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a Credit and Security Agreement (the Credit Agreement ) with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (Wells Fargo). The Credit Agreement is effective February 28, 2012 through February 28, 2015. The amount the Company may borrow under the Credit Agreement is the lesser of the borrowing base calculation and \$10 million, and, so long as no default has occurred, the Company may increase the maximum availability to \$20 million in \$2.5 million increments. The Company may request letters of credit under the Credit Agreement in an aggregate amount equal to the lesser of the borrowing base calculation (minus outstanding advances) and \$5 million. The borrowing base is generally defined as 85% of our eligible accounts receivable less reserves for foreign exchange forward contracts and other reserves as defined in the Credit Agreement.

Borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest at the daily three-month LIBOR index plus 2.50% to 3.00% depending on the calculation of the fixed charge coverage ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement. Until the first monthly report of the fixed charge coverage ratio, the interest rate will be the daily three-month LIBOR index plus 3.00%. The Company will pay letter of credit fees on the average daily aggregate available amount of all letters of credit outstanding monthly at a rate per annum of 3.0% and a monthly unused fee at a rate per annum of 0.30% on the aggregate unused commitment under the Credit Agreement.

The Company granted Wells Fargo a security interest in all of its assets, including all cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, general intangibles, owned real property, equipment and fixtures. In addition, under the Credit Agreement, the Company is subject to certain standard affirmative and negative covenants, including the following financial covenants: 1) maintaining a minimum adjusted EBITDA, as defined in the credit Agreement, of no less than the monthly minimum amounts set forth in the Credit Agreement and 2) limiting non-financed capital expenditures during 2012 to \$6.5 million, provided that such expenditures would not cause the ratio of excess availability, as defined in the Credit Agreement, to aggregate non-financed capital expenditures to be less than 1:50 to 1:00. The requirement for non-financed capital expenditures may be increased quarterly by an amount equal to 50% of any positive variance between budgeted and actual adjusted EBITDA results measured at the end of each quarter. The Company and Wells Fargo are required to agree on financial covenants for the remaining term of the Credit Agreement beyond 2012, and any failure to do so will constitute an event of default.

#### Item 1.02 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

On February 28, 2012, the Company terminated its business loan agreement and promissory note for a \$7.5 million secured revolving line of credit with UMB Bank Colorado, N.A (UMB Bank). The agreement was set to expire on August 1, 2012. At the time the agreement was terminated and the Credit Agreement became effective, there were no amounts outstanding under the line of credit.

#### Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

The information under Item 1.01 is incorporated by reference herein.

- (d) Exhibits.
- 99.1 Press release, dated February 28, 2012, announcing that StarTek, Inc. entered into a new credit facility with Wells Fargo Bank.

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

STARTEK, INC.

By: /s/ Lisa A. Weaver Lisa A. Weaver Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer Date: February 29, 2012

#### EXHIBIT INDEX

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The option vested with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the option on the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date of November 1, 2008, and with respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the option monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares were fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the option's vesting commencement date.

The option vested with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the option on the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date of January 1, 2009, and with respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the option monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares were fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the option's vesting commencement date.

- <sup>(3)</sup> The option vested with respect to 100% of the total shares subject to the option on the vesting commencement date of January 1, 2010.
- <sup>(4)</sup> The options vested with respect to 100% of the total shares subject to the option on the vesting commencement date of January 1, 2011.

The options vested with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the option on the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date of January 1, 2011, and with respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the options monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares were fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the options' vesting commencement date.

The options vest with respect to 1/60th of the total shares subject to the options one month after the vesting commencement date of November 1, 2011, and with respect to 1/60th of the total shares subject to the options monthly thereafter for 59 months, such that all the shares will be fully vested upon the fifth anniversary of the options' vesting commencement date.

<sup>(7)</sup> The options vested with respect to 100% of the total shares subject to the options on the vesting commencement date of February 20, 2012.

The options vest with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the options on October 18, 2013, and with <sup>(8)</sup>respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the options monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares were fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the options' vesting commencement date.

The options vest with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the options on August 1, 2014, and with <sup>(9)</sup>respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the options monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares will be fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the options' vesting commencement date.

The options vest with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the options on September 27, 2014, and (10) with respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the options monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares will be fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the options' vesting commencement date.

The option vests with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the option on November 6, 2014, and (11) with respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the option monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares will be fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the option's vesting commencement date.

The option vests with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the option on February 26, 2015, and <sup>(12)</sup> with respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the option monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares will be fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the option's vesting commencement date.

The option vests with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the option on March 17, 2015, and with <sup>(13)</sup>respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the option monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares will be fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the option's vesting commencement date.

The option vests with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the option on August 11, 2017, and with <sup>(14)</sup>respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the option monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares will be fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the option's vesting commencement date.

The option vests with respect to one-third of the total shares subject to the option on March 1, 2017, and with <sup>(15)</sup>respect to 1/36th of the total shares subject to the option monthly thereafter for 24 months, such that all the shares will be fully vested upon the third anniversary of the option's vesting commencement date.

The option vests with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the option on November 16, 2017, and (16) with respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the option monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all the shares will be fully vested upon the fourth anniversary of the option's vesting commencement date.

The restricted stock units vest with respect to 1/36 of the total shares subject to the grant monthly for 36 months. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person upon the earlier of the reporting person's separation of (17) service with the Company or immediately prior to a change in control event.

#### **Option Exercises and Stock Vested**

The following table shows information regarding the vesting during 2017 of RSUs previously granted to the named executive officers. No options were exercised by any named executive officer during 2017.

NAME

NUMBER OFVALUESHARESREALIZEDACQUIRED ONON

	VESTING (#) <sup>(1)</sup>	VESTING
		<b>(\$)</b> <sup>(2)</sup>
Pamela G. Marrone, Ph.D.	25,192	31,996
James B. Boyd	36,710	42,623
Linda V. Moore	23,371	28,316

Represents shares subject to RSUs that vested in 2017. Vested shares will be delivered to the named executive <sup>(1)</sup>officer upon the earlier of her or his separation of service with the Company or immediately prior to a change in control event.

<sup>(2)</sup>The dollar amounts shown in this column are determined by multiplying the number of shares that vested by the per share closing price of our common stock on the vesting date.

#### **Employment Agreements**

We have entered into an employment offer letter with each of Dr. Marrone, Mr. Boyd and Ms. Moore, as described below. We have also entered into employee proprietary information and inventions assignment agreements with each of our named executive officers, under which each of them has agreed not to disclose our confidential information or induce us to use proprietary information or trade secrets of others at any time.

#### Pamela G. Marrone, Ph.D.

Effective as of June 29, 2006, we entered into an offer letter with Pamela G. Marrone, Ph.D., our Chief Executive Officer. Under the offer letter, Dr. Marrone is entitled to an annual base salary, which is has been \$300,000 since our initial public offering in 2013. Dr. Marrone is eligible for our benefit programs on the same terms as our other executives. In addition, in accordance with the terms of the offer letter, our board of directors granted Dr. Marrone a restricted stock award of 97,424 shares, which completely vested on June 29, 2010, and an option to purchase 53,378 shares of our common stock on May 1, 2007, which completely vested on May 1, 2011.

The letter agreement provides that either party may terminate the employment arrangement for any reason or no reason, but four weeks' notice is requested if the agreement is terminated by Dr. Marrone. In addition, the agreement provides that if we actively or constructively terminate Dr. Marrone's employment without cause (whether or not in connection with a change of control), Dr. Marrone will be eligible to receive:

an amount equal to twelve months of her then-current annual base salary payable in the form of salary continuation; and

medical and dental coverage, plus disability and life insurance premiums, for a period of twelve months following her termination.

## James B. Boyd

Effective as of February 26, 2014, we entered into an offer letter with James B. Boyd, our President and Chief Financial Officer. Under the offer letter, Mr. Boyd was entitled to an annual base salary of \$240,000, which was increased to \$250,000 effective as of March 3, 2015, and was further increased to \$285,000 effective as of August 15, 2017, and is eligible for our benefit programs, vacation benefits, medical benefits and 401(k) plan participation. In addition, in satisfaction of obligations to Mr. Boyd in the offer letter with respect to option awards, our board of directors granted Mr. Boyd an option to purchase 190,000 shares of our common stock on February 13, 2014, which vests, subject to continued employment on each vesting date, with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the option on the first anniversary of the option's vesting commencement date of February 26, 2014 and with respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the option monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all shares subject to the option will be fully vested on the fourth anniversary of such option's vesting commencement date.

The offer letter also provided for a \$10,000 signing bonus upon Mr. Boyd's acceptance, relocation expenses of \$20,000 and three months temporary housing. The letter agreement provides that either party may terminate the employment arrangement for any reason or no reason, but four weeks' notice is requested if Mr. Boyd terminates his employment.

In addition, the agreement provides that if we actively or constructively terminate Mr. Boyd's employment without cause (whether or not in connection with a change of control), Mr. Boyd will be eligible to receive:

an amount equal to six months of his then-current annual base salary payable in the form of salary continuation; and

medical and dental coverage, plus disability and life insurance premiums, for a period of six months following his termination.

Effective March 3, 2015, Mr. Boyd's terms of employment were revised pursuant to a letter agreement to increase his base salary to \$250,000 and to provide for certain payments in the event of a termination in connection with a change in control. Such change in control provisions were superseded by the change in control agreement discussed below.

Effective August 15, 2017, we promoted Mr. Boyd to President and Chief Financial Officer. In connection with the promotion, we entered into a letter agreement with Mr. Boyd, also effective August 15, 2017, pursuant to which Mr. Boyd's base salary was increased from \$250,000 to \$285,000, provided that Mr. Boyd has agreed to defer his salary increase until the satisfaction of certain contingencies described in the letter agreement. In addition, Mr. Boyd was granted 150,000 RSUs, which will vest in equal monthly increments over a period of three years from the grant date. Furthermore, Mr. Boyd remains eligible for our bonus plan, under which Mr. Boyd's bonus can be up to 40% of his base salary.

#### Linda V. Moore

Effective as of March 17, 2014, we entered into an offer letter with Linda V. Moore, our General Counsel. Under the offer letter, Ms. Moore is entitled to an annual base salary of \$225,000, which was increased to \$240,000 effective as of February 9, 2015, and was further increased to \$260,000 effective as of November 6, 2017, and is eligible for our benefit programs, vacation benefits, medical benefits and 401(k) plan participation. In addition, in satisfaction of obligations to Ms. Moore in the offer letter with respect to option awards, our board of directors granted Ms. Moore an option to purchase 100,000 shares of our common stock on March 17, 2014, which vests, subject to continued employment on each vesting date, with respect to one-quarter of the total shares subject to the option on the first anniversary of the option's vesting commencement date of March 17, 2014 and with respect to 1/48th of the total shares subject to the option monthly thereafter for 36 months, such that all shares subject to the option will be fully vested on the fourth anniversary of such option's vesting commencement date.

The offer letter also provided for relocation expenses of \$10,000 and one month temporary housing. The letter agreement provides that either party may terminate the employment arrangement for any reason or no reason, but four weeks' notice is requested if Ms. Moore terminates her employment. In addition, the agreement provides that if we actively or constructively terminate Ms. Moore's employment without cause (whether or not in connection with a change of control), Ms. Moore will be eligible to receive:

an amount equal to six months of her then-current annual base salary payable in the form of salary continuation; and

medical and dental coverage, plus disability and life insurance premiums, for a period of six months following her termination.

Effective February 9, 2015, Ms. Moore's terms of employment were revised pursuant to a letter agreement to increase her base salary to \$240,000 and to provide for certain payments in the event of a termination in connection with a change in control. Such change in control provisions were superseded by the change in control agreement discussed below.

Effective November 6, 2017, we promoted Ms. Moore to Executive Vice President and General Counsel. In connection with the promotion, we entered into a letter agreement with Ms. Moore, also effective November 6, 2017, pursuant to which Ms. Moore's base salary was increased from \$240,000 to \$260,000, provided that Ms. Moore has agreed to defer her salary increase until the satisfaction of certain contingencies described in the letter agreement. In addition, Ms. Moore was granted 150,000 RSUs with respect to our common stock, which will vest in equal monthly increments over a period of three years from the grant date. In addition, Ms. Moore will continue to be eligible for our bonus plan, under which Ms. Moore's bonus can be up to 35% of her salary.

#### **Change in Control Agreements**

Effective as of June 17, 2016, we entered into a change in control agreement with each of Dr. Marrone, Mr. Boyd and Ms. Moore, each an Agreement and together, the Agreements. The Agreements provide each of Dr. Marrone, Mr. Boyd and Ms. Moore, respectively, with the right to receive certain benefits if, in connection with a Change in Control (as defined in each Agreement), such executive terminates his or her employment with the Company for good reason or the Company terminates his or her employment without cause. Each Agreement provides that in such an event: (i) the executive will receive a single lump sum severance payment equal to twelve months of the executive's annual salary; (ii) all outstanding and unvested equity compensation awards held by the executive will vest; (iii) the executive will receive a lump sum bonus payment in an amount equal to 16.7% of the executive's then-current base salary, prorated based on the percentage of the current year completed prior to termination; and (iv) the Company will pay for health continuation coverage premiums for the executive and his or her family members for twelve months following the date of termination.

The benefits provided for in the Agreements as described above are subject to the executive's delivery of a release of claims reasonably acceptable to the Company. Under the Agreements, each executive is also subject to non-solicitation and non-disparagement obligations during employment with the Company and for one and two years, respectively, following termination.

The Agreements supersede and replace the provisions of each executive's employment offer letter as to any matters expressly covered by the applicable Agreement, as well Mr. Boyd's and Ms. Moore's letter agreements effective March 3, 2015 and February 9, 2015, respectively, discussed above. However, each executive's employment offer letter shall continue to apply to any matters not expressly covered by the applicable Agreement.

#### **Compensation Risk Management**

We have considered the risks associated with our compensation policies and practices for all employees, and we believe we have designed our compensation policies and practices in a manner that does not create incentives that could lead to excessive risk taking that would have a material adverse effect on our Company.

#### **Employee Benefit and Stock Plans**

#### Marrone Bio Innovations, Inc. Stock Option Plan

We established the Marrone Bio Innovations, Inc. Stock Option Plan, which we refer to as the 2006 Plan, effective as of July 26, 2006. We ceased granting options under our 2006 Plan after, and the 2006 Plan terminated upon, the adoption of our 2011 Plan on July 19, 2011. Our 2006 Plan provided for the grant of incentive stock options, within the meaning of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Code, to our employees and any parent and subsidiary corporations' employees, and for the grant of non-qualified stock options to our employees, outside directors and consultants and our parent and subsidiary corporations' employees and consultants.

*Administration*: Our board of directors administered our 2006 Plan. The administrator's powers include the power to: determine the fair market value of our common stock; select the individuals to whom options may be granted; determine the number of shares of stock covered by each option; approve forms of award agreement; determine the terms and conditions of options granted to employees and consultants (e.g., the exercise price, the times when options may be exercised (which may be based on performance criteria), any vesting acceleration or waiver of forfeiture restrictions, and any restriction or limitation regarding any option or the underlying shares of stock); reduce the exercise price of any option granted to employees and consultants to the then current fair market value of our common stock if such fair market value has declined since the date of grant; prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating to our 2006 Plan; modify or amend each option; institute an option exchange program; and make all other determinations deemed necessary or advisable for administering our 2006 Plan.

*Transferability of Options*: Our 2006 Plan allows for the transfer of options only (i) by will; and (ii) by the laws of descent and distribution. Only the recipient of an option may exercise such option during his or her lifetime.

*Certain Adjustments*: In the event of certain changes in our capitalization our board of directors will make adjustments to one or more of (i) the number of shares that are covered by outstanding options; (ii) the exercise price of

outstanding options, and (iii) the numerical share limits contained in our 2006 Plan. In the event of our complete liquidation or dissolution, recipients must be notified at least ten (10) days prior to the proposed transaction and may exercise all vested and unvested options until ten (10) days prior to such transaction; all outstanding options will terminate immediately prior to the consummation of such transaction.

*Corporate Transactions*: Our 2006 Plan provides that in the event of a corporate transaction, as defined in our 2006 Plan, each outstanding option will become immediately vested. In the event of a corporate transaction involving a merger or sale of assets, options will be exercisable for a period of fifteen (15) days from the date that notice of the transaction is provided; the option will then terminate upon the expiration of that period.

## 2011 Stock Plan

We established our 2011 Stock Plan, which we refer to as the 2011 Plan, effective as of July 19, 2011. Our 2011 Plan provided for the grant of incentive stock options, within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code, to our employees and any parent and subsidiary corporations' employees, and for the grant of non-qualified stock options and stock purchase rights to our employees, directors and consultants and any parent and subsidiary corporations' employees, directors and consultants. We ceased granting options under our 2011 Plan after, and the 2011 Plan terminated upon, the adoption of our 2013 Plan on August 1, 2013.

*Administration*: Our board of directors administered our 2011 Plan. The administrator's powers include the power to: determine the persons to whom, and the times at which, awards shall be granted and the number of shares of our common stock subject to each award; determine the fair market value of our common stock; determine the terms, conditions and restrictions applicable to each award (e.g. the exercise price, the method of payment, the method for satisfaction of any tax withholding obligation, the timing, terms and conditions of the exercisability and vesting of the award, the time of the expiration of the award, and the effect of the recipient's termination of service); approve forms of award agreement; amend, modify, extend, cancel or renew any award or waive any restrictions or conditions applicable to any award; accelerate, continue, extend or defer the exercisability of any award; prescribe, amend or rescind rules guidelines and policies relating to the 2011 Plan; and make all other determinations and take such other actions with respect to the 2011 Plan or any award as it deems advisable and that is consistent with applicable law, regulations and rules.

*Stock Options*: Our 2011 Plan allowed for the grant of incentive stock options that qualify under Section 422 of the Code only to our employees and employees of any parent or subsidiary of ours. Non-qualified stock options could be granted to our employees, directors, and consultants and those of any parent or subsidiary of ours. The exercise price of all options granted under our 2011 Plan was required to be at least equal to the fair market value of our common stock on the date of grant. The term of an option may not exceed ten (10) years, except that with respect to any employee who owns more than ten percent (10%) of the voting power of all classes of our outstanding stock or the outstanding stock of any parent or subsidiary corporation as of the grant date (i) the term of an incentive stock option must not exceed five (5) years; and (ii) the exercise price of an incentive stock option must equal at least one hundred ten percent (110%) of the fair market value of our common stock on the grant date.

After the continuous service of an employee, director or consultant terminates, he or she may exercise his or her option, to the extent vested, for the period of time specified in the award agreement. If his or her continuous service terminates for cause, however, the option shall immediately terminate. An option may not be exercised later than the expiration of its term.

*Stock Purchase Rights*: Our 2011 Plan allowed for the grant of stock purchase rights. Stock purchase rights are rights to purchase our common stock for at least one hundred percent (100%) of the fair market value of our common stock and which are exercisable for thirty (30) days from the date of grant. The purchase price of a stock purchase right may be paid in cash or in the form of services rendered. The board of directors may subject a stock purchase right to vesting conditions.

*Transferability of Awards*: Our 2011 Plan allowed for the transfer of awards only (i) by will; (ii) by the laws of descent and distribution and (iii) for non-qualified stock options, to the extent authorized by the board of directors. Only the recipient of an award may exercise such award during his or her lifetime except that non-qualified stock options may be transferred to certain trusts and certain family members.

*Certain Adjustments*: In the event of certain changes in our capitalization, to prevent diminution or enlargement of the benefits or potential benefits available under the 2011 Plan, the board of directors will make adjustments to one or more of (i) the number and class of shares subject to the 2011 Plan and that are covered by outstanding awards; (ii) the exercise price of outstanding awards and (iii) the incentive stock option share limit contained in the 2011 Plan.

*Changes in Control*: Our 2011 Plan provides that in the event of a change in control, as defined in the 2011 Plan, the board of directors, in its discretion may provide that (i) the vesting and exercisability of any outstanding awards shall accelerate; or (ii) that each outstanding award (including, at the board of directors' discretion, unvested awards) shall be cashed out; payment due with respect to unvested awards would then be payable in accordance with the existing vesting schedule. Further, the successor corporation may assume or substitute an equivalent award for each outstanding award; if the successor corporation does not do so, awards held by recipients who have not terminated

employment with us will vest in full as of the change in control.

#### 2013 Stock Incentive Plan

See the section entitled "Proposal Two-Background" for information regarding the 2013 Plan.

401(k) Plan

We maintain a 401(k) retirement savings plan. Each participant who is a U.S. employee may contribute to the 401(k) plan, through payroll deductions, up to a statutorily prescribed annual limit imposed by the Internal Revenue Service (which limit was \$18,000 in 2016). All amounts contributed by employee participants and earnings on these contributions are fully vested at all times and are not taxable to participants until withdrawn. Employee participants may elect to invest their contributions in various established funds. We may make contributions to the accounts of plan participants.

#### Limitations of Liability and Indemnification Matters

We have adopted provisions in our current certificate of incorporation that limit or eliminate the liability of our directors for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duties, except for liability that cannot be eliminated under the Delaware General Corporation Law. Accordingly, our directors will not be personally liable for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duties as directors, except with respect to the following:

any breach of their duty of loyalty to us or our stockholders;

acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;

unlawful payments of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions as provided in Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law; or

any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

This limitation of liability does not apply to liabilities arising under the federal securities laws and does not affect the availability of equitable remedies such as injunctive relief or rescission. If Delaware law is amended to authorize the further elimination or limiting of director liability, then the liability of our directors will be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law as so amended.

Our certificate of incorporation and our bylaws also provide that we shall indemnify our directors and executive officers and shall indemnify our other officers and employees and other agents to the fullest extent permitted by law. We believe that indemnification under our bylaws covers at least negligence and gross negligence on the part of indemnified parties. Our bylaws, as currently in effect, also permit us to secure insurance on behalf of any officer, director, employee or other agent for any liability arising out of his or her actions in this capacity, regardless of whether our bylaws would permit indemnification.

We have entered and intend to continue to enter into separate indemnification agreements with certain of our directors and executive officers that are, in some cases, broader than the specific indemnification provisions provided by Delaware law and our charter documents, and may provide additional procedural protection. These agreements will require us, among other things, to:

indemnify officers and directors against certain liabilities that may arise because of their status as officers and directors;

advance expenses, as incurred, to officers and directors in connection with a legal proceeding subject to limited exceptions; and

cover officers and directors under any general or directors' and officers' liability insurance policy maintained by us.

We believe that these provisions and agreements are necessary to attract and retain qualified persons as directors and executive officers. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling our Company pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the opinion of the Security and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") is that such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

In addition, we maintain standard policies of insurance under which coverage is provided to our directors and officers against loss arising from claims made by reason of breach of duty or other wrongful act, and to us with respect to payments which may be made by us to such directors and officers pursuant to the above indemnification provisions or otherwise as a matter of law. We also make available standard life insurance and accidental death and disability insurance policies to our employees.

#### **PROPOSAL TWO**

#### **2013 PLAN Increase**

Our board of directors has recommended an increase to the maximum aggregate number of shares available under the Marrone Bio Innovations, Inc. 2013 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended (the "2013 Plan"), by 3,500,000 to 14,452,472 shares.

#### Introduction

On April 16, 2018, our board of directors amended the 2013 Plan to (1) subject to approval by our stockholders, increase the maximum aggregate number of shares available under the 2013 Plan by 3,500,000 to 14,452,472 shares and (2) remove provisions related to awards intended to qualify for the "performance-based compensation" exemption under Section 162(m) of the Code to reflect the repeal of such exemption under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

On January 31, 2018, our stockholders previously approved an increase to the maximum aggregate number of shares available under the 2013 Plan by 4,000,000 shares. These 4,000,000 shares are reserved for issuance to certain advisors to our board of directors to be designated by Ospraie in accordance with the Purchase Agreement, and are referred to as the Advisor Pool. The 3,500,000 shares for which we are seeking approval in this Proposal will allow us to continue to offer equity awards to our service providers generally, which we believe is necessary for us to retain, motivate and attract experienced and highly qualified service providers.

The material terms of the 2013 Plan are summarized below. A copy of the full text of the 2013 Plan, as amended, is attached to this proxy statement as Appendix A. This summary of 2013 Plan is not intended to be a complete description of 2013 Plan and is qualified in its entirety by the actual text of 2013 Plan to which reference is made.

#### Background

Our 2013 Plan was first adopted by our board of directors in August 2013. As of April 12, 2018, under the 2013 Plan, 5,756,517 shares of our common stock were issuable upon the exercise of outstanding options and settlement of RSUs granted and 4,883,219 additional shares of common stock were reserved for issuance pursuant to future grants,

including 4,000,000 shares reserved as the Advisor Pool. In addition, the number of shares authorized for issuance pursuant to the 2013 Plan will be increased by any additional shares that would otherwise return to the 2011 Plan after the date of adoption of the 2013 Plan as a result of the forfeiture, termination or expiration of awards previously granted under the 2011 Plan. Further, our 2013 Plan provides for annual increases in the number of shares available for issuance thereunder equal to the least of (i) 3.5% of the number of shares of the our common stock outstanding on the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal year or (ii) a lesser number of shares determined by the administrator.

## Summary of 2013 Plan

The 2013 Plan provides for the grant of incentive stock options, within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code, to our employees and any parent and subsidiary employees, and for the grant of non-qualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, dividend equivalent rights, and any combination thereof to our employees, directors, and consultants and to employees, directors, and consultants of certain affiliated entities. As of April 12, 2018, we had one officer who is a director, 5 non-employee directors, 98 non-officer employees, and 20 consultants that were eligible to participate in 2013 Plan. Such persons are eligible to participate in 2013 Plan on the basis that such participation provides an incentive to continue in service to the Company and related entities, and to help the Company compete effectively with other enterprises for the services of qualified persons. As of April 12, 2018, the closing price of a share of our common stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market was \$2.25.

Our board of directors or a committee of our board of directors, which we refer to as the "administrator" in this description, administers the 2013 Plan. The administrator has the power to determine and interpret the terms and conditions of the awards, including, as applicable, the employees, directors, and consultants who will receive awards, the exercise price, the number of shares subject to each award, the vesting schedule and exercisability of the awards, the restrictions on transferability of awards, and the form of consideration payable upon exercise.

The 2013 Plan allows for the grant of incentive stock options that qualify under Section 422 of the Code only to our employees and employees of any of our parents or subsidiaries. Non-qualified stock options may be granted to our employees and directors and those of certain of our affiliates. The per share exercise price of all options granted under the 2013 Plan must be equal to at least the per share fair market value of the common stock on the date of grant. The term of an incentive stock option may not exceed 10 years, except that with respect to any employee who owns more than 10% of the voting power of all classes of our outstanding stock or any parent or subsidiary corporation as of the grant date, the term must not exceed 5 years, and the exercise price must equal at least 110% of the fair market value on the grant date.

After the continuous service of an employee, director or consultant terminates, he or she may exercise his or her option, to the extent vested, for the period of time specified in the option agreement. However, an option may not be exercised later than the expiration of its term.

The 2013 Plan allows for the grant of stock appreciation rights. Stock appreciation rights allow the recipient to receive the appreciation in the fair market value of our common stock between the date of grant and the exercise date. The administrator will determine the terms of stock appreciation rights, including when such rights become exercisable and whether to pay the increased appreciation in cash or with shares of our common stock, or a combination thereof, except that the base appreciation amount used to determine the cash or shares to be issued pursuant to the exercise of a stock appreciation right will be no less than 100% of the fair market value per share on the date of grant.

After the continuous service of an employee, director or consultant terminates, he or she may exercise his or her stock appreciation right, to the extent vested, only to the extent provided in the stock appreciation right agreement.

The 2013 Plan allows for the grant of restricted stock. Restricted stock awards are shares of our common stock that vest in accordance with terms and conditions, if any, established by the administrator. The administrator will determine the number of shares of restricted stock granted to any employee, director or consultant. The administrator may impose whatever conditions, if any, on vesting it determines to be appropriate. For example, the administrator may set restrictions based on the achievement of specific performance goals. Shares of restricted stock that do not vest are subject to our right of repurchase or forfeiture.

The 2013 Plan allows for the grant of restricted stock units. Restricted stock units are awards that will result in payment to a recipient at the end of a specified period only if the vesting criteria established by the administrator, if any, are achieved or the award otherwise vests. The administrator may impose whatever conditions, if any, to vesting, or restrictions and conditions, if any, to payment that it determines to be appropriate. The administrator may set restrictions based on the achievement of specific performance goals or on the continuation of service or employment. Payments of earned restricted stock units may be made, in the administrator's discretion, in cash, with shares of our common stock or other securities, or a combination thereof.

The administrator will determine the provisions, terms, and conditions of each award including vesting schedules, forfeiture provisions, form of payment (cash, shares, or other consideration) upon settlement of the award, payment contingencies, and satisfaction of any performance criteria. The performance criteria established by the administrator will be one of, or combination of, the following: (i) increase in share price, (ii) earnings per share, (iii) total stockholder return, (iv) operating margin, (v) gross margin, (vi) return on equity, (vii) return on assets, (viii) return on investment, (ix) operating income, (x) net operating income, (xi) pre-tax profit, (xii) cash flow, (xiii) revenue, (xiv) expenses, (xv) earnings before interest, taxes and depreciation, (xvi) economic value added and (xvii) market share. The performance criteria may be applicable to our company, our affiliates or any individual business units of our

company or any affiliate.

The maximum number of shares of our common stock with respect to which options and stock appreciation rights may be granted to any grantee in any fiscal year of the Company is 800,000 shares. In connection with a grantee's commencement of continuous service, a grantee may be granted options and stock appreciation rights for up to an additional 800,000 shares of our common stock, which will not count against the limit set forth in the previous sentence. The foregoing limitations will be adjusted proportionately in connection with any change in the Company's capitalization as provided under the 2013 Plan.

The 2013 Plan allows for the transfer of awards under the 2013 Plan only (i) by will, (ii) by the laws of descent and distribution and (iii) for awards other than incentive stock options, to the extent authorized by the administrator. Only the recipient of an incentive stock option may exercise such award during his or her lifetime.

In the event of certain changes in our capitalization, to prevent enlargement of the benefits or potential benefits available under the 2013 Plan, the administrator will make adjustments to one or more of the number of shares that are covered by outstanding awards, the exercise or purchase price of outstanding awards, the maximum number of shares with respect to which awards may be granted to any grantee in any fiscal year of the Company, and any other terms that the administrator determines require adjustment.

The 2013 Plan provides that in the event of a corporate transaction, as defined in the 2013 Plan, each outstanding award will terminate upon the consummation of the corporate transaction to the extent that such awards are not assumed by the acquiring or succeeding corporation. Prior to or upon the consummation of a corporate transaction or a change in control, each as defined in the 2013 Plan, an outstanding award may vest, in whole or in part, to the extent provided in the award agreement or as determined by the administrator in its discretion. The administrator may condition the vesting of an award upon the subsequent termination of the recipient's service or employment within a specified period of time following the consummation of a corporate transaction or change in control. The administrator will not be required to treat all awards similarly in the event of a corporate transaction or change in control.

The 2013 Plan will automatically terminate 10 years following the date it became effective, unless we terminate it sooner. In addition, our board of directors has the authority to amend, suspend or terminate the 2013 Plan provided such action does not impair the rights under any outstanding award.

#### Certain U.S. Federal Tax Consequences

The following summary of the federal income tax consequences of 2013 Plan transactions is based upon federal income tax laws in effect on the date of this proxy statement. This summary does not purport to be complete, and does not discuss non-U.S., state or local tax consequences. As such, please refer to the applicable provisions of the Code for additional information.

*Non-Qualified Stock Options.* Except as provided under Section 409A of the Code discussed below ("Section 409A"), the grant of a non-qualified stock option under the 2013 Plan generally will not result in any U.S. Federal income tax consequences to the grantee or to the Company. Upon exercise of a non-qualified stock option, the grantee is generally subject to income taxes at the rate applicable to ordinary compensation income on the difference between the option exercise price and the fair market value of the shares on the date of exercise. This income is generally subject to withholding for U.S. Federal income and employment tax purposes. The Company is entitled to an income tax deduction in the amount of the income recognized by the grantee, subject to possible limitations imposed by Section 162(m) and so long as the Company withholds the appropriate taxes with respect to such income, if required, and the grantee's total compensation is deemed reasonable in amount. Any gain or loss on the grantee's subsequent disposition of the shares of common stock will receive long or short-term capital gain or loss treatment, depending on whether the shares are held for more than one year following exercise. The Company does not receive a tax deduction for any such gain.

Absent special limitations on exercisability, in the event a nonqualified stock option is granted with an exercise price less than 100% of the fair market value of the common stock on the date of grant or amended in certain respects, such option may be considered deferred compensation and subject to Section 409A, which provide rules regarding the timing of payment of deferred compensation. An option subject to Section 409A which fails to comply with the rules of Section 409A can result in the acceleration of income recognition, an additional 20% tax obligation, plus potential penalties and interest, and similar treatment under state law.

*Incentive Stock Options*. The grant of an incentive stock option under the 2013 Plan will not result in any U.S. Federal income tax consequences to the grantee or to the Company. A grantee recognizes no U.S. Federal taxable income upon exercising an incentive stock option (subject to the alternative minimum tax rules discussed below), and the Company receives no deduction at the time of exercise. In the event of a disposition of stock acquired upon exercise of an incentive stock option, the tax consequences depend upon how long the grantee has held the shares of common stock. If the grantee does not dispose of the shares within two years after the incentive stock option was granted, nor

within one year after the incentive stock option was exercised, the grantee will recognize a long-term capital gain (or loss) equal to the difference between the sale price of the shares and the exercise price. The Company is not entitled to any deduction under these circumstances.

If the grantee fails to satisfy either of the foregoing holding periods, he or she must recognize ordinary income in the year of the disposition, which is referred to as a "disqualifying disposition." The amount of such ordinary income generally is the lesser of (i) the difference between the amount realized on the disposition and the exercise price or (ii) the difference between the fair market value of the stock on the exercise date and the exercise price. Any gain in excess of the amount taxed as ordinary income will be treated as a long or short-term capital gain, depending on whether the stock was held for more than one year. The Company, in the year of the disqualifying disposition, is entitled to a deduction equal to the amount of ordinary income recognized by the grantee, subject to possible limitations imposed by Section 162(m) and so long as the Company withholds the appropriate taxes with respect to such income, if required, and the grantee's total compensation is deemed reasonable in amount.

The "spread" under an incentive stock option—i.e., the difference between the fair market value of the shares at exercise and the exercise price—is classified as an item of adjustment in the year of exercise for purposes of the alternative minimum tax. If a grantee's alternative minimum tax liability exceeds such grantee's regular income tax liability, the grantee will owe the larger amount of taxes. In order to avoid the application of alternative minimum tax with respect to incentive stock options, the grantee must sell the shares within the same calendar year in which the incentive stock options are exercised. However, such a sale of shares within the same year of exercise will constitute a disqualifying disposition, as described above.

In the event that an incentive stock option is amended in certain respects, such option may be considered deferred compensation and subject to the rules of Section 409A, which provides rules regarding the timing of payment of deferred compensation. An option subject to Section 409A which fails to comply with the rules of Section 409A can result in the acceleration of income recognition, an additional 20% tax obligation, plus potential penalties and interest, and similar treatment under state law. In addition, the amendment of an incentive stock option may convert the option from an incentive stock option to a nonqualified stock option.

*Restricted Stock and Performance Stock.* The grant of restricted stock and performance shares will generally subject the recipient to ordinary compensation income on the difference between the amount paid for such stock and the fair market value of the shares on the date that the restrictions lapse. This income is generally subject to withholding for U.S. Federal income and employment tax purposes. The Company is entitled to an income tax deduction in the amount of the ordinary income recognized by the recipient, subject to possible limitations imposed by Section 162(m) and so long as the Company withholds the appropriate taxes with respect to such income, if required, and the grantee's total compensation is deemed reasonable in amount. Any gain or loss on the recipient's subsequent disposition of the shares will receive long or short-term capital gain or loss treatment depending on how long the stock has been held since the restrictions lapsed. The Company does not receive a tax deduction for any such gain.

Recipients of restricted stock and performance shares may make an election under Section 83(b) of the Code, which is referred to as a "Section 83(b) Election," to recognize as ordinary compensation income in the year that such restricted stock or performance shares are granted, the amount equal to the spread between the amount paid for such stock (if any) and the fair market value on the date of the issuance of the stock. If such an election is made, the recipient recognizes no further amounts of compensation income upon the lapse of any restrictions and any gain or loss on subsequent disposition will be long or short-term capital gain to the recipient. The Section 83(b) Election must be made within thirty days from the time the restricted stock or performance share is issued.

*Stock Appreciation Rights.* Recipients of stock appreciation rights, which are referred to as "SARs," generally should not recognize income until such rights are exercised, assuming there is no ceiling on the value of the right and Section 409A does not apply. Upon exercise, the grantee will normally recognize taxable ordinary income for U.S. Federal income tax purposes equal to the amount of cash and fair market value the shares, if any, received upon such exercise. Grantees who are employees will be subject to withholding for U.S. Federal income and employment tax purposes with respect to income recognized upon exercise of a SAR. Grantees will recognize gain upon the disposition of any shares received on exercise of a SAR equal to the excess of (i) the amount realized on such disposition over (ii) the ordinary income recognized with respect to such shares under the principles set forth above. That gain will be taxable as long or short-term capital gain depending on whether the shares were held for more than one year.

The Company will be entitled to a tax deduction to the extent and in the year that ordinary income is recognized by the grantee, subject to possible limitations imposed by Section 162(m) and so long as the Company withholds the appropriate taxes with respect to such income, if required, and the grantee's total compensation is deemed reasonable in amount.

A SAR can be considered deferred compensation and subject to Section 409A. A SAR that does not meet the requirements of Section 409A, such as with respect to the timing of the delivery of cash or shares following vesting, can result in the acceleration of income recognition, an additional 20% tax obligation, plus potential penalties and interest, and similar treatment under state law.

*Performance Units.* Recipients of performance units generally should not recognize income until such units are converted into cash or shares of stock unless Section 409A applies. Upon conversion, the grantee will normally recognize taxable ordinary income for federal income tax purposes equal to the amount of cash and fair market value the shares, if any, received upon such conversion. Grantees who are employees will be subject to withholding for federal income and employment tax purposes with respect to income recognized upon conversion of the performance units. Grantees will recognize gain upon the disposition of any shares received upon conversion of the performance units equal to the excess of (i) the amount realized on such disposition over (ii) the ordinary income recognized with respect to such shares under the principles set forth above. That gain will be taxable as long or short-term capital gain depending on whether the shares were held for more than one year. The Company will be entitled to a tax deduction to the extent and in the year that ordinary income is recognized by the grantee, subject to possible limitations imposed by Section 162(m) and so long as the Company withholds the appropriate taxes with respect to such income (if required) and the grantee's total compensation is deemed reasonable in amount.

Performance units also can be considered non-qualified deferred compensation and subject to the rules of Section 409A, which provide rules regarding the timing of payment of deferred compensation. A grant of performance units that does not meet the requirements of Code Section 409A can result in the acceleration of income recognition, an additional 20% tax obligation, plus potential penalties and interest to such grantee, and similar treatment under state law.

*Dividends and Dividend Equivalents*. Recipients of stock-based awards that earn dividends or dividend equivalents will recognize taxable ordinary income on any dividend payments received with respect to unvested shares subject to such awards, which income is generally subject to withholding for U.S. Federal income and employment tax purposes. The Company is entitled to an income tax deduction in the amount of the income recognized by a grantee, subject to possible limitations imposed by Section 162(m) and so long as the Company withholds the appropriate taxes with respect to such income, if required, and the individual's total compensation is deemed reasonable in amount.

The foregoing is only a summary of the U.S. Federal income tax consequences of 2013 Plan transactions, and is based upon U.S. Federal income tax laws in effect on the date of this proxy statement. Reference should be made to the applicable provisions of the Code. This summary does not purport to be complete, and does not discuss the tax consequences of a grantee's death or the tax laws of any municipality, state or foreign country to which the grantee may be subject.

# New Plan Benefits

Awards under the 2013 Plan are based on the discretion of the administrator and/or the Company's achievement of performance targets established by the administrator, and it is not currently possible to determine the amounts that will be received by persons participating in the 2013 Plan in the future.

As of April 12, 2018, the following persons or groups have received stock options to purchase, or restricted stock units settleable for, the following total numbers of shares of common stock under the 2013 Plan: Pamela G. Marrone, Ph.D., 402,289 shares; James B. Boyd, 744,415 shares; Linda V. Moore, 374,795 shares; all current executive officers as a group, 1,521,499 shares; all current directors who are not executive officers as a group, 468,408 shares; each nominee for election as a director, 115,542 shares; each associate of any of such directors, executive officers or nominees, no shares; each other person who received 5% of the options, no shares; and all employees, including all current officers who are not executive officers, as a group, 3,806,374 shares.

Information, as of December 31, 2017, regarding equity compensation plans approved and not approved by stockholders is summarized in the following table:

				NUMBER OF
				SECURITIES
PLAN CATEGORY	NUMBER OF			REMAINING
	SECURITIES	W]	EIGHTED	AVAILABLE
	ТО	A	VERAGE	FOR
	BE ISSUED	EX	KERCISE	FUTURE
	UPON		RICE OF	ISSUANCE
	EXERCISE OF			UNDER EQUITY
	OUTSTANDING		PTIONS,	COMPENSATION
	OPTIONS,		ARRANTS	PLANS
	WARRANTS	AN	ND RIGHTS <sup>(1)</sup>	(EXCLUDING
	AND RIGHTS			SECURITIES
				<b>REFLECTED IN</b>
				COLUMN $(a)^{(2)} (3)$
	(a)	(b)		
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	3,943,334	\$	5.45	2,341,134
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Total	3,943,334	\$	5.45	2,341,134

(1) Represents weighted average exercise price of outstanding options.

<sup>(2)</sup>Consists of shares available for issuance under our 2013 Stock Incentive Plan.

Pursuant to the Securities Purchase Agreement and as a condition to the Ospraie Investment, effective as of our 2017 annual meeting of stockholders on January 31, 2018, we previously increased the number of shares of our <sup>(3)</sup> common stock authorized for issuance under the 2013 Plan by 4,000,000 to 10,952,472 shares. We agreed to use this additional capacity under the 2013 Plan to grant options to purchase our common stock to certain advisors to our board of directors designated by Ospraie.

#### Reasons for the 2013 Plan Increase

Our board of directors has determined that the 2013 Plan Increase is in our best interests and in the best interests of our stockholders. The 2013 Plan Increase is another component in our overall goal of providing support for our continuing operations and future development through a series of refinancing transactions discussed in this proxy statement, and for which we are soliciting stockholder approval.

#### **Reasons for Requesting Stockholder Approval**

We are required to seek approval for the 2013 Plan Increase because our common stock is listed on Nasdaq and, as a result, we are subject to certain Nasdaq listing rules and regulations. Nasdaq Rule 5635(c) requires stockholder approval when a plan or other equity compensation arrangement is established or materially amended. For these purposes, a material amendment would include, but not be limited to, any material increase in the number of shares of our common stock to be issued under the plan (other than to reflect a reorganization, stock split, merger, spin-off or similar transaction). If stockholder approval is obtained, we will increase the number of shares of our common stock authorized under the 2013 Plan by 3,500,000 to 14,452,472 shares, which will be a material increase in the number of shares of shares of our common stock available for issuance under the 2013 Plan.

## Possible Effects if Proposal Two is Approved

If Proposal Two is approved by our stockholders, we may issue equity awards covering up to 3,500,000 shares of our common stock under the 2013 Plan, which could result in the issuance of up to an additional 3,500,000 shares of our common stock. The rights and privileges associated with our common stock issuable under such equity awards will be identical to the rights and privileges associated with the common stock held by our existing stockholders, and will not have preemptive, conversion or other rights to subscribe for additional shares of our common stock. Approval of Proposal Two will also have the following consequences:

*Dilution*. We will issue up to an aggregate of 3,500,000 shares of our common stock. Such issuance will further dilute the earnings per share of our common stock and reduce the voting power and percentage ownership of our outstanding capital stock.

*Market Effects*. Despite the existence of certain restrictions on transfer, the issuance of shares of our common stock could affect trading patterns and adversely affect the market price of our outstanding common stock. Additionally, sales in the public market of the shares of our common stock acquired under equity awards, or the perception that such sales could occur, could adversely affect the prevailing market price of our common stock and impair our

ability to raise capital in future equity financings.

## **Required Vote**

The 2013 Plan Increase requires a "FOR" vote from a majority of the voting power present and entitled to vote either in person or by proxy on the proposal. If you "Abstain" from voting, your vote will not be counted as a vote cast and will have no effect on the outcome of the proposal. If you return a signed and dated proxy card or otherwise complete a ballot or voting instructions without marking your selections, your shares will be voted "FOR" approval of the 2013 Plan Increase.

Under NYSE rules, brokers are prohibited from giving proxies to vote on amendments to equity compensation plans unless the beneficial owner of such shares has given voting instructions on the matter. This means that if your broker is the record holder of your shares, you must give voting instructions to your broker with respect to the 2013 Plan Increase in this Proposal Two if you want your broker to vote your shares on the matter. Otherwise, your shares will be treated as broker non-votes. Broker non-votes will not be counted as a vote cast and will have no effect on the outcome of the proposal.

## Recommendation

## The board of directors recommends a vote "FOR" Proposal Two

#### **PROPOSAL THREE**

## **RATIFICATION OF SELECTION OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

The audit committee of our board of directors has selected Marcum LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018, and has further directed that management submit the selection of an independent registered public accounting firm for ratification by the stockholders at the annual meeting. Ernst & Young LLP had been our independent registered public accounting firm beginning with the audit of our 2006 fiscal year financial statements and ending with the audit of our 2017 fiscal year financial statements. Representatives of Marcum LLP are expected to be present at the annual meeting, will have an opportunity to make a statement if they so desire and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

The appointment of Marcum LLP and the dismissal of Ernst & Young LLP were completed on April 12, 2018 upon the recommendation of the audit committee of our board of directors. In light of our continued focus on cost control, our audit committee conducted a formal, competitive review process, in which they evaluated a number of potential firms that were invited to submit a proposal. As part of the process, the audit committee considered, among other things, the capabilities and resources of each firm and its primary engagement team, the firms' responsiveness, the proposed approach to scoping the audit and the firms' proposed fee structures. After consideration of these and other relevant factors, the audit committee, determined that Marcum LLP offered the services necessary at pricing that represented the best value for us.

The reports of Ernst & Young LLP on our consolidated financial statements for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 did not contain an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion, nor were such reports qualified or modified as to audit scope or accounting principles, but were modified to contain an explanatory paragraph indicating there was substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern.

During our past two fiscal years ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 and in the subsequent interim period through April 12, 2018 (the "Relevant Period"), there have been no disagreements, as that term is defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) and the related instructions of Regulation S-K, promulgated by the SEC pursuant to the Exchange Act with Ernst & Young LLP on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure, which disagreement(s), if not resolved to the satisfaction of Ernst & Young LLP, would have caused Ernst & Young LLP to make reference to the subject matter of the disagreement(s) in connection with its report on our financial statements.

During the Relevant Period, there were no "reportable events," as that term is defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K, except that in connection with our internal control over financial reporting there was a material weaknesses. As previously reported, management has identified a specific deficiency related to controls over derivative accounting that constituted a material weakness in our internal controls over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017. We did not maintain effective internal controls related to the accounting for embedded derivative instruments that were a part of certain loan instruments that we entered into during the year ended December 31, 2017 and the related debt issuance costs. This material weakness resulted in material misstatements and audit adjustments to derivative liability, debt discounts, interest expense, change in fair value of financial instruments and additional paid-in capital to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2017.

During the Relevant Period, neither we, nor (to the our knowledge) anyone acting on our behalf, consulted with Marcum LLP regarding (i) the application of accounting principles to a specified transaction, either completed or proposed; (ii) the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on our financial statements; (iii) any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure that was the subject of a disagreement, as that term is defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) and the related instructions of Regulation S-K; or (iv) any reportable event, as that term is defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K.

Neither our bylaws nor other governing documents or law require stockholder ratification of the selection of Marcum LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm. However, the audit committee is submitting the selection of Marcum LLP to the stockholders for ratification as a matter of good corporate practice. If the stockholders fail to ratify the selection, the audit committee will reconsider whether or not to retain that firm. Even if the selection is ratified, the audit committee in its discretion may direct the appointment of a different independent registered public accounting firm at any time during the year if they determine that such a change would be in the best interests of the Company and our stockholders.

#### **Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fee Information**

In connection with the audit of our 2018 financial statements, we have entered into an engagement agreement with Marcum LLP that will set forth the terms by which Marcum LLP would perform audit services for us, including responsibilities of Marcum LLP and management in the conduct of the audit and estimated fees. Our engagement agreements with Marcum LLP are typically subject to alternative dispute resolution procedures.

The following table summarizes the fees of Ernst & Young LLP, our prior accounting firm, for each of the last two fiscal years.

FEE CATEGORY	FISCAL	FISCAL
	2017	2016
Audit fees(1)	\$1,525,225	\$1,322,900
Audit-related fees(2)	46,800	
Tax fees(3)		
Total fees	\$1,572,025	\$1,322,900

Audit fees consist of professional services rendered in connection with the audit of our consolidated financial <sup>(1)</sup>statements and review of our quarterly consolidated financial statements, as well as the delivery of consents and reviews of documents filed with the SEC.

Audit-related fees consist of professional services for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to (2) the performance of the audit or review of our consolidated financial statements and are not reported under "Audit Fees." These services include accounting consultations concerning financial accounting and reporting standards.

(3) Tax fees consist of fees for professional services rendered for tax compliance, tax planning and tax advice.

The audit committee pre-approves all audit and non-audit services to be, and has approved all of the foregoing audit and non-audit services, performed by the independent registered public accounting firm in accordance with the audit committee charter.

Pre-Approval Procedures of Audit and Non-Audit Services by the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The audit committee's charter requires it to pre-approve all audit and non-audit services performed by the independent registered public accounting firm. In determining whether to approve audit and non-audit services to be performed by Marcum LLP, the audit committee takes into consideration the fees to be paid for such services and whether such fees would affect the independence of the independent registered public accounting firm in performing its audit function. In addition, when determining whether to approve non-audit services to be performed by Marcum LLP, the audit committee considers whether the performance of such services is compatible with maintaining the independence of the independent registered public accounting firm in performing its audit function, and confirms that the non-audit services will not include the prohibited activities set forth in Section 201 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. The audit committee has determined that the rendering of the services other than audit services by Ernst & Young in fiscal year 2017 was compatible with maintaining the registered public accounting firm's independence.

## **Required Vote**

Ratification of the appointment of Marcum LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018 requires a "FOR" vote from a majority of the voting power present and entitled to vote either in person or by proxy on the proposal in order to pass. If you "Abstain" from voting, your vote will not be counted as a vote cast. If you return a signed and dated proxy card or otherwise complete a ballot or voting instructions without marking your selections, your shares will be voted "FOR" ratification of the appointment of Marcum LLP.

Under NYSE rules, brokers permitted to give vote on ratification of an independent registered public accounting firm even if the beneficial owner of such shares has not given voting instructions on the matter. This means that if your broker is the record holder of your shares, your broker will vote such shares in accordance with their policies with respect to the appointment of Marcum LLP in this Proposal Three if you do not give your broker voting instructions.

#### Recommendation

The board of directors recommends a vote "FOR" Proposal Three.

# **REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The material in this report is not "soliciting material," is not deemed "filed" with the SEC, and is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of Marrone Bio Innovations, Inc. under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date hereof and irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.

The audit committee has reviewed our audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 and discussed these financial statements with our management and with Ernst & Young, our independent registered public accounting firm.

Our management is responsible for the preparation of our financial statements and for maintaining an adequate system of disclosure controls and procedures and internal control for that purpose. Our independent registered public accounting firm is responsible for conducting an independent audit of our annual financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and issuing a report on the results of their audit. The audit committee is responsible for providing independent, objective oversight of these processes.

The audit committee has also discussed with Ernst & Young the matters required to be discussed by the Statement on Auditing Standards No. 1301, as amended (Communications with Audit Committees), as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board.

The audit committee has received and reviewed the written disclosures and the letter from Ernst & Young required by applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding the independent accountant's communications with the audit committee concerning independence, and has discussed with Ernst & Young its independence.

Based on the review and discussions referred to above, the audit committee recommended to the board of directors that the audited consolidated financial statements be included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

By the Audit Committee

George Kerckhove (Chair)

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## SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

#### **Beneficial Ownership of Our Common Stock**

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common stock as of April 12, 2018, for:

each person or group of affiliated persons known by us to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of our common stock;

each of our named executive officers;

each of our directors and director nominees; and

all current executive officers and directors as a group.

We have determined beneficial ownership in accordance with SEC rules. The information does not necessarily indicate beneficial ownership for any other purpose. Under these rules, the number of shares of common stock deemed outstanding includes shares issuable upon exercise of options held by the respective person or group that may be exercised within 60 days after April 12, 2018. For purposes of calculating each person's or group's percentage ownership, stock options and warrants exercisable within 60 days after April 12, 2018 are included for that person or group but not the stock options of any other person or group.

Applicable percentage ownership is based on 102,092,613 shares of common stock outstanding as of April 12, 2018. In computing the number of shares of common stock beneficially owned by a person and the percentage ownership of that person, we deemed to be outstanding all shares of common stock subject to such person's options and warrants exercisable within 60 days of April 12, 2018. We did not deem these shares outstanding, however, for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of any other person.

Unless otherwise indicated and subject to applicable community property laws, to our knowledge, each stockholder named in the following table possesses sole voting and investment power over the shares listed. Unless otherwise noted below, the address of each person listed in the table is c/o Marrone Bio Innovations, Inc., 1540 Drew Avenue, Davis, CA 95618.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF	SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED	
BENEFICIAL OWNER	SHARES (#)	SHARES (%)
<b>5% Stockholders:</b> Entities affiliated with Ospraie Ag Science LLC <sup>(1)</sup>		
437 Madison Avenue, 28th Floor	61,333,334	46.2
New York, NY 10022		
Entities affiliated with Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc. <sup>(2)</sup>		
6300 Lamar Avenue	28,714,892	27.1
Overland Park, KS 66202		
Entities affiliated with Ardsley Advisory Partners <sup>(3)</sup>		
262 Harbor Drive Stamford, CT 06902	15,681,580	14.6
Van Herk Investments B.V. <sup>(4)</sup>		
Lichtenauerlaan 30, 3062ME	12,477,481	11.6
Rotterdam, The Netherlands		
Directors, Director Nominees and Named Executive Officers: Pamela G. Marrone, Ph.D. <sup>(5)</sup> Robert A. Woods <sup>(6)</sup> George Kerckhove <sup>(7)</sup> Yogesh Mago <sup>(8)</sup> Richard Rominger <sup>(9)</sup> Zachary S. Wochok, Ph.D. <sup>(10)</sup> James B. Boyd <sup>(11)</sup> Linda V. Moore <sup>(12)</sup> <b>All current directors and executive</b>	1,325,766 20,806 111,224 11,462 228,900 112,296 510,658 228,950 3 014 287	1.3 * * * * * * *
officers as a group (11 persons) <sup>(13)</sup>	3,014,287	2.9

\* Represents beneficial ownership of less than 1% of our outstanding common stock.

Includes 30,666,667 shares of our common stock and 30,666,667 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of warrants to purchase shares of our common stock. As reported in the Schedule 13D filed on February 12, 2018, Mr. Dwight Anderson is the Managing Member of Ospraie Ag Science LLC and, in such capacity, may <sup>(1)</sup>be deemed to have voting and dispositive power over the securities held for the account of Ospraie Ag Science LLC disclaims any beneficial ownership in such securities. The address for each of Ospraie Ag Science LLC and Mr. Dwight Anderson is c/o Ospraie Management LLC, 437 Madison Avenue, 28th Floor, New York, New York 10022.

Includes 24,714,912 shares of our common stock and 4,000,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of warrants to purchase shares of our common stock. Does not include 4,000,000 shares of common stock issuable upon other warrants to purchase shares of common stock not issuable within 60 days of April 12, 2018 due to beneficial ownership-based exercise limitations. As reported in the Schedule 13D/A filed on March 8, 2018, the securities reported on herein are beneficially owned by one or more open-end investment companies or other managed accounts which are advised or sub-advised by Ivy Investment Management Company, or IICO, an <sup>(2)</sup>investment advisory subsidiary of Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc., or WDR. The investment advisory contracts grant IICO all investment and/or voting power over securities owned by such advisory clients. The investment sub-advisory contracts grant IICO investment restriction of a sub-advisory contract does not restrict investment discretion or power in a material manner. Therefore, IICO or WDR, because of its control relationship to IICO, may be deemed the beneficial owner of the securities covered by this statement under Rule 13d-3 of the Act. The address of the entities is 6300 Lamar Avenue Overland Park, Kansas 66202.

Includes 6,666,667 shares of our common stock and 5,333,333 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of warrants to purchase shares of our common stock and (ii) 3,681,580 other shares of our common stock held by the selling stockholders, which are not being registered under this prospectus. As reported in the Schedule 13D filed on February 7, 2018, the securities reported on herein are beneficially owned by one or more open-end investment companies or other managed accounts which are owned, advised or sub-advised by Ardsley Advisory Partners, Ardsley Partners I, Phillip J. Hempleman, Ardsley Partners Fund II, L.P., Ardsley Partners Advanced Healthcare Fund, L.P., Ardsley Partners Renewable Energy Fund, L.P. and Ardsley Duckdive Fund, L.P. The address for these entities is 262 Harbor Drive, 4th Floor, Stamford, Connecticut 06902.

(4) Includes (i) 6,666,667 shares of our common stock and 5,333,333 issuable upon exercise of warrants to purchase shares of our common stock as well as (ii) 477,481 other shares of our common stock held by the selling stockholders, which are not being registered under this prospectus. As reported in Schedule 13G filed on February 15, 2018, the securities reported on herein are beneficially owned by (i) Van Herk Investments B.V., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands, or Van Herk, (ii) Van Herk Private Equity Investments B.V., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands, or VHPI, (iii) Stichting Administratiekantoor Penulata, a foundation organized under the laws of the Netherlands, or Penulata, (iv) Van Herk Management Services B.V., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands, or OGBBA, (vi) A. van Herk B.V., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands, or OGBBA, (vi) A. van Herk Holding B.V., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands, or organized under the laws of the Netherlands, or organized under the laws of the Netherlands, or organized under the laws of the Netherlands, or VHMS, (v) Onroerend Goed Beheer- en Beleggingsmaatschappij A. van Herk B.V., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands, or organized under the

Holdings, (vii) Stichting Administratiekantoor Abchrys, a foundation organized under the laws of the Netherlands, or Abchrys, and (viii) Adrianus van Herk, or Mr. van Herk. Each of Mr. van Herk, VHPI, Penulata, VHMS, OGBBA, Holdings and Abchrys disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported on herein. The address for these entities is Lichtenauerlaan 30, 3062ME, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

Includes 404,985 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days and 65,896 shares of common stock subject to restricted stock units settleable within 60 days held by Dr. Marrone,

(5) 6,442 shares of common stock held by Florence H. Marrone TOD Pamela G. Marrone and 53,134 shares of common stock held by Dr. Marrone and Michael Rogers. Does not include 135,417 shares of common stock issuable to Dr. Marrone upon the exercise of options not exercisable within 60 days.

Consists of 17,306 shares subject to restricted stock units settleable within 60 days and 3,500 shares of common
(6) stock held by Mr. Woods and Lynn Woods. Does not include 52,635 shares subject to restricted stock units not settleable within 60 days.

- (7) Includes 87,358 shares of common stock subject to restricted stock units settleable within 60 days and 20,866 shares of common stock subject to options exercisable within 60 days.
- (8) Consists of 11,462 shares subject to restricted stock units settleable within 60 days. Does not include 35,090 shares subject to restricted stock units not settleable within 60 days.

Includes 109,522 shares of common stock held by The Richard and Mary Rominger Community Trust, 86,021
(9) shares of common stock subject to restricted stock units settleable within 60 days and 29,521 shares of common stock subject to options exercisable within 60 days.

Includes 3,000 shares of common stock held by The Zachary S Wochok & Barbara N Wochok Trust and 108,496 (10) shares of common stock subject to restricted stock units settleable within 60 days. Does not include 19,653 shares of common stock issuable to Dr. Wochok upon the settlement of restricted stock units not settleable within 60 days.

Includes 377,490 shares of common stock subject to options exercisable within 60 days and 91,918 shares of common stock subject to restricted stock units settleable within 60 days. Does not include shares of common stock issuable to Mr. Boyd upon the exercise of options not exercisable within 60 days. Does not include 162,510 shares of common stock issuable to Mr. Boyd upon settlement of restricted stock units not settleable within 60 days.

Includes 174,988 shares of common stock subject to options exercisable within 60 days and 53,962 shares of common stock subject to restricted stock units settleable within 60 days. Does not include 25,012 shares of <sup>(12)</sup> common stock issuable to Ms. Moore upon the exercise of options not exercisable within 60 days. Does not include 120,833 shares of common stock issuable to Ms. Moore upon settlement of restricted stock units not settleable within 60 days.

<sup>(13)</sup> Includes 579,179 shares of common stock subject to restricted stock units and 1,405,315 shares of common stock subject to options held by current directors and executive officers settleable or exercisable within 60 days.

### Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires our directors and executive officers, and persons who own more than ten percent of a registered class of our equity securities, to file with the SEC initial reports of ownership and reports of changes in ownership of common stock and other equity securities of the Company. Officers, directors and greater

than ten percent stockholders are required by SEC regulation to furnish us with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file.

To our knowledge, based solely on a review of the copies of such reports furnished to us and written representations that no other reports were required, during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, two Section 16(a) filing requirements applicable to our officers, directors and greater than ten percent beneficial owners were not filed in a timely manner: Ardsley Advisory Partners on April 29, 2017 and James Boyd on August 18, 2017.

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### TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PERSONS

#### **Related-Person Transactions Policy and Procedures**

Our board of directors reviews related party transactions for potential conflict of interest issues. Our board of directors has adopted a written related person transaction policy to set forth the policies and procedures for the review and approval or ratification of related person transactions. This policy covers any transaction, arrangement or relationship, or any series of similar transactions, arrangements or relationships in which we were or are to be a participant, the amount involved exceeds \$120,000 or one percent of the average of our total assets at year-end for the last two completed fiscal years and a related person had or will have a direct or indirect material interest, including, without limitation, purchases of goods or services by or from the related person or entities in which the related person has a material interest, indebtedness, guarantees of indebtedness or employment by us or a related person.

#### **Certain Related-Person Transactions**

We describe below the transactions and series of similar transactions, since December 31, 2016, to which we were a participant or will be a participant, in which:

transactions in which the amount involved exceeds the lesser of \$120,000 or one percent of the average of the smaller reporting company's total assets at year-end for the last two completed fiscal years; and

any of our directors, executive officers, holders of more than 5% of our capital stock (which we refer to as "5% stockholders") or any member of their immediate family had or will have a direct or indirect material interest, other than compensation arrangements with directors and executive officers.

#### Purchase Agreement and Debt Refinancing

On December 15, 2017, we entered into the Purchase Agreement with certain accredited investors named therein, including Ospraie, affiliates of Ardsley and affiliates of Van Herk Investments B.V., each of which is currently a 5% stockholder. Pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, the investors thereunder agreed, subject to the satisfaction of certain closing conditions, to purchase units consisting of shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase shares of our common stock. Concurrently with the entry into the Purchase Agreement, we entered into amendments to our senior promissory notes held by Ivy Science & Technology Fund, Waddell & Reed Advisors Science & Technology Fund and Ivy VIP Science & Technology (such notes, the "Waddell Notes") and to our secured promissory notes issued in

October 2012 and April 2013 (the "October 2012 and April 2013 Promissory Notes"). In addition, on December 22, 2017, we entered into an amendment and restatement to the unsecured convertible promissory note previously entered into with Dwight W. Anderson, an affiliate of Ospraie (the "Anderson Note").

The Purchase Agreement includes customary representations and warranties, indemnification and covenants by the Company. In addition to other customary covenants, we also agreed to:

Limitations with respect to our ability to file any registration statement with the SEC or issue additional equity securities without the prior written consent of Ospraie;

Not further amend the terms of the Waddell Notes and October 2012 and April 2013 Promissory Notes without the prior written consent of Ospraie;

Solicit stockholder approval with respect to an increase of 4,000,000 shares under the 2013 Plan, as amended, with such shares to be reserved for issuance to certain advisors;

Appoint two new directors designated by Ospraie to our board of directors effective upon the closing of the transactions contemplated by the Purchase Agreement;

Take all necessary actions to procure the election of two additional directors designated by Ospraie to our board of directors as Class II directors at our 2018 annual meeting of stockholders;

Grant Ospraie the right to appoint individuals to serve as advisors to our board of directors; and

Grant Ospraie the right, should they choose, to review and make recommendations to our board of directors regarding certain key management positions.

On February 5, 2018, we completed the transactions contemplated in the Purchase Agreement, the note amendments and certain related agreements (the "February 2018 Financing Transactions"), which resulted in:

the issuance of an aggregate of 44,000,001 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase an aggregate of 41,333,333 shares of our common stock to purchasers under the Purchase Agreement for an aggregate purchase price of \$30.0 million, which includes conversion of all outstanding principal under the Anderson Note;

the conversion of \$35.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Waddell Notes into an aggregate of 20,000,000 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 4,000,000 shares of our common stock, such that \$5.0 million aggregate principal amount under such notes remained outstanding, in connection with which the maturity of such notes was extended to December 31, 2022, all interest payments under such notes was deferred to maturity on December 31, 2022, and Ospraie was granted a right of first refusal to acquire such notes;

the conversion of \$10.0 million aggregate principal amount of indebtedness outstanding under the October 2012 and April 2013 Promissory Notes to an aggregate of 5,714,285 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 1,142,856 shares of our common stock, such that \$2.45 million aggregate principal amount under such notes remained outstanding, and in connection with which the maturity of such notes was extended to December 31, 2022, the interest was reduced from 14% to 8% and all interest payments under such notes were deferred to the maturity on December 31, 2022; and

the issuance of 800,000 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 2,017,143 shares of common stock to National Securities Corporation, as our exclusive placement agent and financial adviser facilitating the February 2018 Financing Transactions.

## Voting and Lock-up Agreement

On February 5, 2018, in connection with the closing of the February 2018 Financing Transactions, we entered into the Voting and Lock-up Agreement. Pursuant to the Voting and Lock-up Agreement, among other things, Ospraie and its affiliates, Waddell, and Ardsley and its affiliates, each of which is a 5% stockholder, and Pamela G. Marrone, our Chief Executive Officer, each agreed to vote their existing shares of common stock in favor of the election of up to two directors designated by Ospraie at our 2018 annual meeting of stockholders, subject to certain conditions and limitations.

### **Registration Rights Agreement**

On December 15, 2017, we entered into a Registration Rights Agreement (the "Registration Rights Agreement") with the parties to the February 2018 Financing Transactions (the "Holders"), pursuant to which we agreed to file a registration statement with the SEC within 60 days of the closing date of the February 2018 Financing Transactions

covering the resale of the shares (including shares issuable upon exercise of warrants) issued in connection therewith. Pursuant to the terms of the Registration Rights Agreement, we will maintain the effectiveness of the registration statement until the date upon which the securities held by the Holders cease to be Registerable Securities (as that term is defined in the Registration Rights Agreement). The Registration Rights Agreement also provides that each of the Holders will not sell or otherwise dispose of their shares of our common stock or securities exercisable for or convertible into shares of our common stock, commencing on December 15, 2017 and ending 180 days after the closing date of the February 2018 Financing Transactions, subject to customary exceptions. We filed a registration statement with the SEC pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement on April 6, 2018.

#### Anderson Note

Dwight W. Anderson is an affiliate of Ospraie, one of our 5% stockholders. On December 22, 2017, we and Mr. Anderson entered into the Anderson Note, which amended and restated in its entirety that certain Amended and Restated Promissory Note, dated as of October 23, 2017, which was given in replacement of, and amended and restated in its entirety, that certain Promissory Note, dated as of October 12, 2017. The Anderson Note was a secured promissory note in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$6,000,000, due on October 12, 2020. Pursuant to the Anderson Note, Anderson funded amounts to us in various separate disbursements, each payable at his sole discretion: (i) on October 12, 2017, in an aggregate principal amount of \$1,000,000, (ii) on October 23, 2017, in an aggregate principal amount of \$1,000,000, (ii) on December 4, 2017, in an aggregate principal amount of \$500,000, (v) on December 8, 2017, in an aggregate principal amount of \$500,000, (v) on December 8, 2017, in an aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000, (v) on December 8, 2017, in an aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000, (v) on December 12, 2017, in an aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000, (v) on December 8, 2017, in an aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000, (v) on December 8, 2017, in an aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000, (vi) on January 11, 2018 in an aggregate principal amount of \$1,000,000 and (vii) on January 17, 2018 in the aggregate principal amount of \$1,000,000. As discussed above under "–Purchase Agreement and Debt Refinancing," all of the outstanding principal under the Anderson Note converted into shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase shares of our common stock issued to Ospraie at the closing of the February 2018 Financing Transactions.

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#### Woods and Mago Consulting Agreements with Ospraie

Each of our directors Robert A. Woods and Yogesh Mago has a consulting agreement with Ospraie Management, an affiliate of Ospraie, one of our 5% stockholders. For their services as consultants to Ospraie Management, each of Mr. Woods and Mr. Mago has and will continue to receive a monthly fee for the term of their respective consulting agreements. In addition, Mr. Woods and Mr. Mago each have been granted an indirect interest in our equity securities held by Ospraie and its affiliates, and therefore have an indirect interest in the transactions described above in "—Purchase Agreement and Debt Refinancing."

#### **Executive Compensation and Employment Arrangements**

Please see the section entitled "Executive Compensation" above for information on compensation arrangements with our executive officers and agreements with, and offer letters to, our executive officers containing compensation and termination provisions, among others.

Director and Officer Indemnification and Insurance

See the section entitled "Limitations of Liability and Indemnification Matters" above.

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## HOUSEHOLDING OF PROXY MATERIALS

The SEC adopted rules that permit us to send a single annual report and proxy statements to any household at which two or more stockholders reside unless we have received contrary instructions from one of the stockholders. Each stockholder will continue to receive a separate proxy card. Upon written or oral request to our Corporate Secretary, Linda V. Moore, at 1540 Drew Ave., Davis, California 95618 or by phone at (530) 750-2800, we will deliver a separate copy of the annual report or proxy statement, as applicable, to you at the shared address within 30 days of your request. Any stockholders who share the same address and currently receive multiple copies of our proxy materials who wish to receive only one copy in the future can contact the Corporate Secretary regarding such request at the address and phone number listed above.

A number of brokerage firms have already instituted householding. If your household has multiple accounts of our stock, you may have received householding notification from your broker. Please contact your broker directly if you have questions, require additional copies of the proxy statement or annual report, or wish to revoke your decision to household, and thereby receive multiple reports.

## **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

#### Form 10-K

Our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 is being mailed concurrently with the mailing of these proxy materials. Upon written request to our Corporate Secretary, Linda V. Moore, at the address of our principal executive offices, the exhibits set forth on the exhibit index of the Form 10-K may be made available at a reasonable charge.

#### **Internet Availability of Proxy Materials**

In addition to the mailing, the notice of the annual meeting, this proxy statement and the proxy card are available for your review, print and download on our website at *investors.marronebio.com*. Our website and the information contained therein or connected thereto are not intended to be incorporated into this proxy statement.

### **OTHER MATTERS**

Our board of directors knows of no other matters that will be presented for consideration at the annual meeting. If any other matters are properly brought before the meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the accompanying proxy to vote on such matters in accordance with their best judgment.

It is important that the proxies be returned promptly and that your shares are represented. Stockholders are urged to mark, date, execute and promptly return the accompanying proxy card in the enclosed envelope.

By Order of the Board of Directors

Pamela G. Marrone, Ph.D. Chief Executive Officer

April 30, 2018

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Appendix A

### MARRONE BIO INNOVATIONS, INC.

#### 2013 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN, AS AMENDED

1. <u>Purposes of the Plan</u>. The purposes of this Plan are to attract and retain the best available personnel, to provide additional incentives to Employees, Directors and Consultants and to promote the success of the Company's business.

2. <u>Definitions</u>. The following definitions shall apply as used herein and in the individual Award Agreements except as defined otherwise in an individual Award Agreement. In the event a term is separately defined in an individual Award Agreement, such definition shall supersede the definition contained in this Section 2.

(a) "Administrator" means the Board or any of the Committees appointed to administer the Plan.

(b) <u>"Affiliate</u>" and "Associate" shall have the respective meanings ascribed to such terms in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under the Exchange Act.

(c) <u>"Applicable Laws</u>" means the legal requirements relating to the Plan and the Awards under applicable provisions of federal securities laws, state corporate and securities laws, the Code, the rules of any applicable stock exchange or national market system, and the rules of any non-U.S. jurisdiction applicable to Awards granted to residents therein.

(d) <u>"Assumed</u>" means that pursuant to a Corporate Transaction either (i) the Award is expressly affirmed by the Company or (ii) the contractual obligations represented by the Award are expressly assumed (and not simply by operation of law) by the successor entity or its Parent in connection with the Corporate Transaction with appropriate adjustments to the number and type of securities of the successor entity or its Parent subject to the Award and the exercise or purchase price thereof which at least preserves the compensation element of the Award existing at the time of the Corporate Transaction as determined in accordance with the instruments evidencing the agreement to assume the Award.

(e) <u>"Award</u>" means the grant of an Option, SAR, Dividend Equivalent Right, Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Unit or other right or benefit under the Plan.

(f) <u>"Award Agreement</u>" means the written agreement evidencing the grant of an Award executed by the Company and the Grantee, including any amendments thereto.

(g) <u>"Board</u>" means the Board of Directors of the Company.

(h) <u>"Cause</u>" means, with respect to the termination by the Company or a Related Entity of the Grantee's Continuous Service, that such termination is for "Cause" as such term (or word of like import) is expressly defined in a then-effective written agreement between the Grantee and the Company or such Related Entity, or in the absence of such then-effective written agreement and definition, is based on, in the determination of the Administrator, the Grantee's: (i) performance of any act or failure to perform any act in bad faith and to the detriment of the Company or a Related Entity; (ii) dishonesty, intentional misconduct or material breach of any agreement with the Company or a Related Entity; or (iii) commission of a crime involving dishonesty, breach of trust, or physical or emotional harm to any person; provided, however, that with regard to any agreement that defines "Cause" on the occurrence of or in connection with a Corporate Transaction or a Change in Control, such definition of "Cause" shall not apply until a Corporate Transaction or a Change in Control actually occurs.

(i) <u>"Change in Contro</u>l" means a change in ownership or control of the Company after the Registration Date effected through either of the following transactions:

(i) the direct or indirect acquisition by any person or related group of persons (other than an acquisition from or by the Company or by a Company-sponsored employee benefit plan or by a person that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company) of beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act) of securities possessing more than fifty percent (50%) of the total combined voting power of the Company's outstanding securities pursuant to a tender or exchange offer made directly to the Company's stockholders which a majority of the Continuing Directors who are not Affiliates or Associates of the offeror do not recommend such stockholders accept, or

(ii) a change in the composition of the Board over a period of twelve (12) months or less such that a majority of the Board members (rounded up to the next whole number) ceases, by reason of one or more contested elections for Board membership, to be comprised of individuals who are Continuing Directors.

(j) <u>"Cod</u>e" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

(k) <u>"Committe</u>e" means any committee composed of members of the Board appointed by the Board to administer the Plan.

(1) <u>"Common Stock</u>" means the common stock of the Company.

(m) <u>"Company</u>" means Marrone Bio Innovations, Inc., a Delaware corporation, or any successor entity that adopts the Plan in connection with a Corporate Transaction.

(n) <u>"Consultan</u>t" means any person (other than an Employee or a Director, solely with respect to rendering services in such person's capacity as a Director) who is engaged by the Company or any Related Entity to render consulting or advisory services to the Company or such Related Entity.

(o) <u>"Continuing Directors</u>" means members of the Board who either (i) have been Board members continuously for a period of at least twelve (12) months or (ii) have been Board members for less than twelve (12) months and were elected or nominated for election as Board members by at least a majority of the Board members described in clause (i) who were still in office at the time such election or nomination was approved by the Board.

(p) <u>"Continuous Service</u>" means that the provision of services to the Company or a Related Entity in any capacity of Employee, Director or Consultant is not interrupted or terminated. In jurisdictions requiring notice in advance of an effective termination as an Employee, Director or Consultant, Continuous Service shall be deemed terminated upon the actual cessation of providing services to the Company or a Related Entity notwithstanding any required notice period that must be fulfilled before a termination as an Employee, Director or Consultant can be effective under Applicable Laws. A Grantee's Continuous Service shall be deemed to have terminated either upon an actual termination of Continuous Service or upon the entity for which the Grantee provides services ceasing to be a Related Entity. Continuous Service shall not be considered interrupted in the case of (i) any approved leave of absence, (ii) transfers among the Company, any Related Entity, or any successor, in any capacity of Employee, Director or Consultant, or (iii) any change in status as long as the individual remains in the service of the Company or a Related Entity in any capacity of Employee, Director or Consultant (except as otherwise provided in the Award Agreement).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, except as otherwise determined by the Administrator, in the event of any spin-off of a Related Entity, service as an Employee, Director or Consultant for such Related Entity following such spin-off shall be deemed to be Continuous Service for purposes of the Plan and any Award under the Plan. An approved leave of absence shall include sick leave, military leave, or any other authorized personal leave. For purposes of each Incentive Stock Option granted under the Plan, if such leave exceeds three (3) months, and reemployment upon expiration of such leave is not guaranteed by statute or contract, then the Incentive Stock Option shall be treated as a Non-Qualified Stock Option on the day three (3) months and one (1) day following the expiration of such three (3) months.

(q) <u>"Corporate Transaction</u>" means any of the following transactions, provided, however, that the Administrator shall determine under parts (iv) and (v) whether multiple transactions are related, and its determination shall be final, binding and conclusive:

(i) a merger or consolidation in which the Company is not the surviving entity, except for a transaction the principal purpose of which is to change the state in which the Company is incorporated;

(ii) the sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company;

(iii) the complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company;

(iv) any reverse merger or series of related transactions culminating in a reverse merger (including, but not limited to, a tender offer followed by a reverse merger) in which the Company is the surviving entity but (A) the shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such merger are converted or exchanged by virtue of the merger into other property, whether in the form of securities, cash or otherwise, or (B) in which securities possessing more than fifty percent (50%) of the total combined voting power of the Company's outstanding securities are transferred to a person or persons different from those who held such securities immediately prior to such merger or the initial transaction culminating in such merger, but excluding any such transaction or series of related transactions that the Administrator determines shall not be a Corporate Transaction; or

(v) acquisition in a single or series of related transactions by any person or related group of persons (other than the Company or by a Company-sponsored employee benefit plan) of beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act) of securities possessing more than fifty percent (50%) of the total combined voting power of the Company's outstanding securities but excluding any such transaction or series of related transactions that the Administrator determines shall not be a Corporate Transaction.

(r) <u>"Director</u>" means a member of the Board or the board of directors of any Related Entity.

(s) <u>"Disability</u>" means as defined under the long-term disability policy of the Company or the Related Entity to which the Grantee provides services regardless of whether the Grantee is covered by such policy. If the Company or the Related Entity to which the Grantee provides service does not have a long-term disability plan in place, "Disability" means that a Grantee is unable to carry out the responsibilities and functions of the position held by the Grantee by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment for a period of not less than ninety (90) consecutive days. A Grantee will not be considered to have incurred a Disability unless he or she furnishes proof of such impairment sufficient to satisfy the Administrator in its discretion.

(t) <u>"Dividend Equivalent Right</u>" means a right entitling the Grantee to compensation measured by dividends paid with respect to Common Stock.

(u) <u>"Employe</u>e" means any person, including an Officer or Director, who is in the employ of the Company or any Related Entity, subject to the control and direction of the Company or any Related Entity as to both the work to be performed and the manner and method of performance. The payment of a director's fee by the Company or a Related Entity shall not be sufficient to constitute "employment" by the Company.

(v) <u>"Exchange Act</u>" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

(w) "Fair Market Value" means, as of any date, the value of Common Stock determined as follows:

(i) If the Common Stock is listed on one or more established stock exchanges or national market systems, including without limitation The NASDAQ Global Select Market, The NASDAQ Global Market or The NASDAQ Capital Market of The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC, its Fair Market Value shall be the closing sales price for such stock (or the closing bid, if no sales were reported) as quoted on the principal exchange or system on which the Common Stock is listed (as determined by the Administrator) on the date of determination (or, if no closing sales price or closing bid was reported on that date, as applicable, on the last trading date such closing sales price or closing bid was reported), as reported in The Wall Street Journal or such other source as the Administrator deems reliable;

(ii) If the Common Stock is regularly quoted on an automated quotation system (including the OTC Bulletin Board) or by a recognized securities dealer, its Fair Market Value shall be the closing sales price for such stock as quoted on such system or by such securities dealer on the date of determination, but if selling prices are not reported, the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock shall be the mean between the high bid and low asked prices for the Common Stock on the date of determination (or, if no such prices were reported on that date, on the last date such prices were reported), as reported in The Wall Street Journal or such other source as the Administrator deems reliable; or

(iii) In the absence of an established market for the Common Stock of the type described in (i) and (ii), above, the Fair Market Value thereof shall be determined by the Administrator in good faith.

(x) <u>"Grante</u>e" means an Employee, Director or Consultant who receives an Award under the Plan.

(y) <u>"Incentive Stock Option</u>" means an Option intended to qualify as an incentive stock option within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code.

(z) <u>"Non-Qualified Stock Option</u>" means an Option not intended to qualify as an Incentive Stock Option.

(aa) <u>"Office</u>r" means a person who is an officer of the Company or a Related Entity within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

(bb) "Option" means an option to purchase Shares pursuant to an Award Agreement granted under the Plan.

(cc) "Parent" means a "parent corporation", whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(e) of the Code.

(dd) "Plan" means this 2013 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended.

(ee) <u>"Registration Dat</u>e" means the first to occur of (i) the closing of the first sale to the general public pursuant to a registration statement filed with and declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of (A) the Common Stock or (B) the same class of securities of a successor corporation (or its Parent) issued pursuant to a Corporate Transaction in exchange for or in substitution of the Common Stock; and (ii) in the event of a Corporate Transaction, the date of the consummation of the Corporate Transaction if the same class of securities of the successor corporation (or its Parent) issuable in such Corporate Transaction shall have been sold to the general public pursuant to a registration statement filed with and declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on or prior to the date of consummation of such Corporate Transaction.

(ff) "Related Entity" means any Parent or Subsidiary of the Company.

(gg) <u>"Replace</u>d" means that pursuant to a Corporate Transaction the Award is replaced with a comparable stock award or a cash incentive program of the Company, the successor entity (if applicable) or Parent of either of them which

preserves the compensation element of such Award existing at the time of the Corporate Transaction and provides for subsequent payout in accordance with the same (or a more favorable) vesting schedule applicable to such Award. The determination of Award comparability shall be made by the Administrator and its determination shall be final, binding and conclusive.

(hh) <u>"Restricted Stock</u>" means Shares issued under the Plan to the Grantee for such consideration, if any, and subject to such restrictions on transfer, rights of first refusal, repurchase provisions, forfeiture provisions, and other terms and conditions as established by the Administrator.

(ii) <u>"Restricted Stock Units</u>" means an Award which may be earned in whole or in part upon the passage of time or the attainment of performance criteria established by the Administrator and which may be settled for cash, Shares or other securities or a combination of cash, Shares or other securities as established by the Administrator.

(jj) "Rule 16b-3" means Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act or any successor thereto.

(kk) <u>"SAR</u>" means a stock appreciation right entitling the Grantee to Shares or cash compensation, as established by the Administrator, measured by appreciation in the value of Common Stock.

(ll) <u>"Shar</u>e" means a share of the Common Stock.

(mm) <u>"Subsidiary</u>" means a "subsidiary corporation", whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(f) of the Code.

### 3. Stock Subject to the Plan.

(a) Subject to the provisions of Section 10, below, the maximum aggregate number of Shares which may be issued pursuant to all Awards is 14,452,472 Shares, plus any Shares that would otherwise return to the Company 2011 Stock Plan (the <u>"2011 Plan</u>") as a result of forfeiture, termination or expiration of awards previously granted under the 2011 Plan (ignoring the termination or expiration of the 2011 Plan for the purpose of determining the number of Shares available for the Plan), and commencing with the first business day of each fiscal year of the Company thereafter, beginning with the year following the year of the initial public offering of the Common Stock, such maximum aggregate number of Shares shall be increased by a number equal to the least of (i) three and one-half percent (3.5%) of the number of shares of the Company's common stock outstanding on the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal year or (ii) a lesser number of Shares determined by the Administrator. Notwithstanding the foregoing, subject to the provisions of Section 10 below, of the number of Shares specified above, the maximum aggregate number of Shares shall reduce the maximum aggregate number of Shares which may be issued under the Plan only by the net number of actual Shares issued to the Grantee upon exercise of the SAR. The Shares to be issued pursuant to Awards may be authorized, but unissued, or reacquired Common Stock.

(b) Any Shares covered by an Award (or portion of an Award) which is forfeited, canceled or expires (whether voluntarily) shall be deemed not to have been issued for purposes of determining the maximum aggregate number of Shares which may be issued under the Plan. Shares that actually have been issued under the Plan pursuant to an Award shall not be returned to the Plan and shall not become available for future issuance under the Plan, except that if unvested Shares are forfeited, or repurchased by the Company at the lower of their original purchase price or their Fair Market Value at the time of repurchase, such Shares shall become available for future grant under the Plan. To the extent not prohibited by the listing requirements of The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (or other established stock exchange or national market system on which the Common Stock is traded) or Applicable Law, any Shares covered by an Award which are surrendered (i) in payment of the Award exercise or purchase price (including pursuant to the "net exercise" of an option pursuant to Section 7(b)(iv)) or (ii) in satisfaction of tax withholding obligations incident to the exercise of an Award shall be deemed not to have been issued for purposes of determining the maximum number of Shares which may be issued pursuant to all Awards under the Plan, unless otherwise determined by the Administrator.

4. Administration of the Plan.

(a) Plan Administrator.

(i) <u>Administration with Respect to Directors and Officers</u>. With respect to grants of Awards to Directors or Employees who are also Officers or Directors of the Company, the Plan shall be administered by (A) the Board or (B) a Committee designated by the Board, which Committee shall be constituted in such a manner as to satisfy the

Applicable Laws and to permit such grants and related transactions under the Plan to be exempt from Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act in accordance with Rule 16b-3. Once appointed, such Committee shall continue to serve in its designated capacity until otherwise directed by the Board.

(ii) <u>Administration With Respect to Consultants and Other Employees</u>. With respect to grants of Awards to Employees or Consultants who are neither Directors nor Officers of the Company, the Plan shall be administered by (A) the Board or (B) a Committee designated by the Board, which Committee shall be constituted in such a manner as to satisfy the Applicable Laws. Once appointed, such Committee shall continue to serve in its designated capacity until otherwise directed by the Board. The Board may authorize one or more Officers to grant such Awards and may limit such authority as the Board determines from time to time.

(iii) <u>Administration Errors</u>. In the event an Award is granted in a manner inconsistent with the provisions of this subsection (a), such Award shall be presumptively valid as of its grant date to the extent permitted by the Applicable Laws.

(b) <u>Powers of the Administrator</u>. Subject to Applicable Laws and the provisions of the Plan (including any other powers given to the Administrator hereunder), and except as otherwise provided by the Board, the Administrator shall have the authority, in its discretion:

(i) to select the Employees, Directors and Consultants to whom Awards may be granted from time to time hereunder;

(ii) to determine whether and to what extent Awards are granted hereunder;

(iii) to determine the number of Shares or the amount of other consideration to be covered by each Award granted hereunder;

(iv) to approve forms of Award Agreements for use under the Plan;

(v) to determine the terms and conditions of any Award granted hereunder;

(vi) to amend the terms of any outstanding Award granted under the Plan, provided that (A) any amendment that would adversely affect the Grantee's rights under an outstanding Award shall not be made without the Grantee's written consent;

(vii) to construe and interpret the terms of the Plan and Awards, including without limitation, any notice of award or Award Agreement, granted pursuant to the Plan;

(viii) to grant Awards to Employees, Directors and Consultants employed outside the United States on such terms and conditions different from those specified in the Plan as may, in the judgment of the Administrator, be necessary or desirable to further the purpose of the Plan; and

(ix) to take such other action, not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, as the Administrator deems appropriate.

The express grant in the Plan of any specific power to the Administrator shall not be construed as limiting any power or authority of the Administrator; provided that the Administrator may not exercise any right or power reserved to the Board. Any decision made, or action taken, by the Administrator or in connection with the administration of this Plan shall be final, conclusive and binding on all persons having an interest in the Plan.

(c) <u>Indemnification</u>. In addition to such other rights of indemnification as they may have as members of the Board or as Officers or Employees of the Company or a Related Entity, members of the Board and any Officers or Employees of the Company or a Related Entity to whom authority to act for the Board, the Administrator or the Company is delegated shall be defended and indemnified by the Company to the extent permitted by law on an after-tax basis against all reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, actually and necessarily incurred in connection with the defense of any claim, investigation, action, suit or proceeding, or in connection with any appeal therein, to which they or any of them may be a party by reason of any action taken or failure to act under or in connection with the Plan, or

any Award granted hereunder, and against all amounts paid by them in settlement thereof (provided such settlement is approved by the Company) or paid by them in satisfaction of a judgment in any such claim, investigation, action, suit or proceeding, except in relation to matters as to which it shall be adjudged in such claim, investigation, action, suit or proceeding that such person is liable for gross negligence, bad faith or intentional misconduct; provided, however, that within thirty (30) days after the institution of such claim, investigation, action, suit or proceeding, such person shall offer to the Company, in writing, the opportunity at the Company's expense to defend the same.

5. <u>Eligibility</u>. Awards other than Incentive Stock Options may be granted to Employees, Directors and Consultants. Incentive Stock Options may be granted only to Employees of the Company or a Parent or a Subsidiary of the Company. An Employee, Director or Consultant who has been granted an Award may, if otherwise eligible, be granted additional Awards. Awards may be granted to such Employees, Directors or Consultants who are residing in non-U.S. jurisdictions as the Administrator may determine from time to time.

6. Terms and Conditions of Awards.

(a) <u>Types of Awards</u>. The Administrator is authorized under the Plan to award any type of arrangement to an Employee, Director or Consultant that is not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan and that by its terms involves or might involve the issuance of (i) Shares, (ii) cash or (iii) an Option, a SAR, or similar right with a fixed or variable price related to the Fair Market Value of the Shares and with an exercise or conversion privilege related to the passage of time, the occurrence of one or more events, or the satisfaction of performance criteria or other conditions. Such awards include, without limitation, Options, SARs, sales or bonuses of Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units or Dividend Equivalent Rights, and an Award may consist of one such security or benefit, or two (2) or more of them in any combination or alternative.

(b) <u>Designation of Award</u>. Each Award shall be designated in the Award Agreement. In the case of an Option, the Option shall be designated as either an Incentive Stock Option or a Non-Qualified Stock Option. However, notwithstanding such designation, an Option will qualify as an Incentive Stock Option under the Code only to the extent the \$100,000 limitation of Section 422(d) of the Code is not exceeded. The \$100,000 limitation of Section 422(d) of the Code is not exceeded. The \$100,000 limitation of Section 422(d) of the Code is calculated based on the aggregate Fair Market Value of the Shares subject to Options designated as Incentive Stock Options which become exercisable for the first time by a Grantee during any calendar year (under all plans of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary of the Company). For purposes of this calculation, Incentive Stock Options shall be taken into account in the order in which they were granted, and the Fair Market Value of the Shares shall be determined as of the grant date of the relevant Option. In the event that the Code or the regulations promulgated thereunder are amended after the date the Plan becomes effective to provide for a different limit on the Fair Market Value of Shares permitted to be subject to Incentive Stock Options, then such different limit will be automatically incorporated herein and will apply to any Options granted after the effective date of such amendment.

(c) <u>Conditions of Award</u>. Subject to the terms of the Plan, the Administrator shall determine the provisions, terms, and conditions of each Award including, but not limited to, the Award vesting schedule, repurchase provisions, rights of first refusal, forfeiture provisions, form of payment (cash, Shares, or other consideration) upon settlement of the Award, payment contingencies, and satisfaction of any performance criteria. The performance criteria established by the Administrator may be based on any one of, or combination of, the following: (i) increase in share price, (ii) earnings per share, (iii) total stockholder return, (iv) operating margin, (v) gross margin, (vi) return on equity, (vii) return on assets, (viii) return on investment, (ix) operating income, (x) net operating income, (xi) pre-tax profit, (xii) cash flow, (xiii) revenue, (xiv) expenses, (xv) earnings before interest, taxes and depreciation, and (xvi) economic value added, (xvii) market share. The performance criteria may be applicable to the Company, Related Entities and/or any individual business units of the Company or any Related Entity. Partial achievement of the specified criteria may result in a payment or vesting corresponding to the degree of achievement as specified in the Award Agreement. In addition, the performance criteria shall be calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

(d) <u>Acquisitions and Other Transactions</u>. The Administrator may issue Awards under the Plan in settlement, assumption or substitution for, outstanding awards or obligations to grant future awards in connection with the Company or a Related Entity acquiring another entity, an interest in another entity or an additional interest in a Related Entity whether by merger, stock purchase, asset purchase or other form of transaction.

(e) <u>Deferral of Award Payment</u>. The Administrator may establish one or more programs under the Plan to permit selected Grantees the opportunity to elect to defer receipt of consideration upon exercise of an Award, satisfaction of performance criteria, or other event that absent the election would entitle the Grantee to payment or receipt of Shares or other consideration under an Award. The Administrator may establish the election procedures, the timing of such elections, the mechanisms for payments of, and accrual of interest or other earnings, if any, on amounts, Shares or other consideration so deferred, and such other terms, conditions, rules and procedures that the Administrator deems advisable for the administration of any such deferral program.

(f) <u>Separate Programs</u>. The Administrator may establish one or more separate programs under the Plan for the purpose of issuing particular forms of Awards to one or more classes of Grantees on such terms and conditions as determined by the Administrator from time to time.

(g) Individual Limitations on Awards.

(i) <u>Individual Limit for Options and SARs</u>. The maximum number of Shares with respect to which Options and SARs may be granted to any Grantee in any fiscal year of the Company shall be eight hundred thousand (800,000) Shares. In connection with a Grantee's commencement of Continuous Service, a Grantee may be granted Options and SARs for up to an additional eight hundred thousand (800,000) Shares which shall not count against the limit set forth in the previous sentence. The foregoing limitations shall be adjusted proportionately in connection with any change in the Company's capitalization pursuant to Section 10, below.

(h) <u>Deferral</u>. If the vesting or receipt of Shares under an Award is deferred to a later date, any amount (whether denominated in Shares or cash) paid in addition to the original number of Shares subject to such Award will not be treated as an increase in the number of Shares subject to the Award if the additional amount is based either on a reasonable rate of interest or on one or more predetermined actual investments such that the amount payable by the Company at the later date will be based on the actual rate of return of a specific investment (including any decrease as well as any increase in the value of an investment).

(i) <u>Early Exercise</u>. The Award Agreement may, but need not, include a provision whereby the Grantee may elect at any time while an Employee, Director or Consultant to exercise any part or all of the Award prior to full vesting of the Award. Any unvested Shares received pursuant to such exercise may be subject to a repurchase right in favor of the Company or a Related Entity or to any other restriction the Administrator determines to be appropriate.

(j) <u>Term of Award</u>. The term of each Award shall be the term stated in the Award Agreement, provided, however, that the term of an Incentive Stock Option shall be no more than ten (10) years from the date of grant thereof. However, in the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to a Grantee who, at the time the Option is granted, owns stock representing more than ten percent (10%) of the voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary of the Company, the term of the Incentive Stock Option shall be five (5) years from the date of grant thereof or such shorter term as may be provided in the Award Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the specified term of any Award shall not include any period for which the Grantee has elected to defer the receipt of the Shares or cash issuable pursuant to the Award.

(k) <u>Transferability of Awards</u>. Incentive Stock Options may not be sold, pledged, assigned, hypothecated, transferred, or disposed of in any manner other than by will or by the laws of descent or distribution and may be exercised, during the lifetime of the Grantee, only by the Grantee. Other Awards shall be transferable (i) by will and by the laws of descent and distribution and (ii) during the lifetime of the Grantee, to the extent and in the manner authorized by the Administrator. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Grantee may designate one or more beneficiaries of the Grantee's Award in the event of the Grantee's death on a beneficiary designation form provided by the Administrator.

(1) <u>Time of Granting Awards</u>. The date of grant of an Award shall for all purposes be the date on which the Administrator makes the determination to grant such Award, or such other later date as is determined by the Administrator.

### 7. Award Exercise or Purchase Price, Consideration and Taxes.

(a) Exercise or Purchase Price. The exercise or purchase price, if any, for an Award shall be as follows:

(i) In the case of an Incentive Stock Option:

(A) granted to an Employee who, at the time of the grant of such Incentive Stock Option owns stock representing more than ten percent (10%) of the voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary of the Company, the per Share exercise price shall be not less than one hundred ten percent (110%) of the Fair Market

Value per Share on the date of grant; or

(B) granted to any Employee other than an Employee described in the preceding paragraph, the per Share exercise price shall be not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant.

(ii) In the case of a Non-Qualified Stock Option, the per Share exercise price shall be not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant.

(iii) In the case of SARs, the base appreciation amount shall not be less than one hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value per Share on the date of grant.

(iv) In the case of other Awards, such price as is determined by the Administrator.

(v) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 7(a), in the case of an Award issued pursuant to Section 6(d), above, the exercise or purchase price for the Award shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of the relevant instrument evidencing the agreement to issue such Award.

(b) <u>Consideration</u>. Subject to Applicable Laws, the consideration to be paid for the Shares to be issued upon exercise or purchase of an Award including the method of payment, shall be determined by the Administrator (and, in the case of an Incentive Stock Option, shall be determined at the time of grant). In addition to any other types of consideration the Administrator may determine, the Administrator is authorized to accept as consideration for Shares issued under the Plan the following, provided that the portion of the consideration equal to the par value of the Shares must be paid in cash or other legal consideration permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law:

(i) cash;

(ii) check;

(iii) if the exercise or purchase occurs on or after the Registration Date, surrender of Shares or delivery of a properly executed form of attestation of ownership of Shares as the Administrator may require which have a Fair Market Value on the date of surrender or attestation equal to the aggregate exercise price of the Shares as to which said Award shall be exercised;

(iv) with respect to Options, if the exercise occurs on or after the Registration Date, payment through a broker-dealer sale and remittance procedure pursuant to which the Grantee (A) shall provide written instructions to a Company designated brokerage firm to effect the immediate sale of some or all of the purchased Shares and remit to the Company sufficient funds to cover the aggregate exercise price payable for the purchased Shares and (B) shall provide written directives to the Company to deliver the certificates for the purchased Shares directly to such brokerage firm in order to complete the sale transaction;

(v) with respect to Options, payment through a "net exercise" such that, without the payment of any funds, the Grantee may exercise the Option and receive the net number of Shares equal to (i) the number of Shares as to which the Option is being exercised, multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the Fair Market Value per Share (on such date as is determined by the Administrator) less the exercise price per Share, and the denominator of which is such Fair Market Value per Share (the number of net Shares to be received shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number of Shares); or

(vi) any combination of the foregoing methods of payment.

The Administrator may at any time or from time to time, by adoption of or by amendment to the standard forms of Award Agreement described in Section 4(b)(iv), or by other means, grant Awards which do not permit all of the

foregoing forms of consideration to be used in payment for the Shares or which otherwise restrict one or more forms of consideration.

(c) <u>Taxes</u>. No Shares shall be delivered under the Plan to any Grantee or other person until such Grantee or other person has made arrangements acceptable to the Administrator for the satisfaction of any non-U.S., federal, state, or local income and employment tax withholding obligations, including, without limitation, obligations incident to the receipt of Shares. Upon exercise or vesting of an Award the Company shall withhold or collect from the Grantee an amount sufficient to satisfy such tax obligations, including, but not limited to, by surrender of the whole number of Shares covered by the Award sufficient to satisfy the minimum applicable tax withholding obligations incident to the exercise or vesting of an Award (reduced to the lowest whole number of Shares if such number of Shares withheld would result in withholding a fractional Share with any remaining tax withholding settled in cash).

8. Exercise of Award.

## (a) Procedure for Exercise; Rights as a Stockholder.

(i) Any Award granted hereunder shall be exercisable at such times and under such conditions as determined by the Administrator under the terms of the Plan and specified in the Award Agreement.

(ii) An Award shall be deemed to be exercised when written notice of such exercise has been given to the Company in accordance with the terms of the Award by the person entitled to exercise the Award and full payment for the Shares with respect to which the Award is exercised has been made, including, to the extent selected, use of the broker-dealer sale and remittance procedure to pay the purchase price as provided in Section 7(b)(iv).

## (b) Exercise of Award Following Termination of Continuous Service.

(i) An Award may not be exercised after the termination date of such Award set forth in the Award Agreement and may be exercised following the termination of a Grantee's Continuous Service only to the extent provided in the Award Agreement.

(ii) Where the Award Agreement permits a Grantee to exercise an Award following the termination of the Grantee's Continuous Service for a specified period, the Award shall terminate to the extent not exercised on the last day of the specified period or the last day of the original term of the Award, whichever occurs first.

(iii) Any Award designated as an Incentive Stock Option to the extent not exercised within the time permitted by law for the exercise of Incentive Stock Options following the termination of a Grantee's Continuous Service shall convert automatically to a Non-Qualified Stock Option and thereafter shall be exercisable as such to the extent exercisable by its terms for the period specified in the Award Agreement.

9. Conditions Upon Issuance of Shares.

(a) If at any time the Administrator determines that the delivery of Shares pursuant to the exercise, vesting or any other provision of an Award is or may be unlawful under Applicable Laws, the vesting or right to exercise an Award or to otherwise receive Shares pursuant to the terms of an Award shall be suspended until the Administrator determines that such delivery is lawful and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such compliance. The Company shall have no obligation to effect any registration or qualification of the Shares under federal or state laws.

(b) As a condition to the exercise of an Award, the Company may require the person exercising such Award to represent and warrant at the time of any such exercise that the Shares are being purchased only for investment and without any present intention to sell or distribute such Shares if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such a representation is required by any Applicable Laws.

10. <u>Adjustments Upon Changes in Capitalization</u>. Subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company and Section 11 hereof, the number of Shares covered by each outstanding Award, and the number of Shares which have been authorized for issuance under the Plan but as to which no Awards have yet been granted or which have been returned to the Plan, the exercise or purchase price of each such outstanding Award, the maximum number of Shares with respect to which Awards may be granted to any Grantee in any fiscal year of the Company, as well as any

other terms that the Administrator determines require adjustment shall be proportionately adjusted for (i) any increase or decrease in the number of issued Shares resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, combination or reclassification of the Shares, or similar transaction affecting the Shares, (ii) any other increase or decrease in the number of issued Shares effected without receipt of consideration by the Company, or (iii) any other transaction with respect to Common Stock including a corporate merger, consolidation, acquisition of property or stock, separation (including a spin-off or other distribution of stock or property), reorganization, liquidation (whether partial or complete) or any similar transaction; provided, however that conversion of any convertible securities of the Company shall not be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." In the event of any distribution of cash or other assets to stockholders other than a normal cash dividend, the Administrator shall also make such adjustments as provided in this Section 10 or substitute, exchange or grant Awards to effect such adjustments (collectively "adjustments"). Any such adjustments to outstanding Awards will be effected in a manner that precludes the enlargement of rights and benefits under such Awards. In connection with the foregoing adjustments, the Administrator may, in its discretion, prohibit the exercise of Awards or other issuance of Shares, cash or other consideration pursuant to Awards during certain periods of time. Such adjustments shall be made by the Administrator and its determination shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as the Administrator determines, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason hereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of Shares subject to an Award.

### 11. Corporate Transactions and Changes in Control.

(a) <u>Termination of Award to Extent Not Assumed in Corporate Transaction</u>. Effective upon the consummation of a Corporate Transaction, all outstanding Awards under the Plan shall terminate. However, all such Awards shall not terminate to the extent they are Assumed in connection with the Corporate Transaction.

(b) <u>Acceleration of Award Upon Corporate Transaction or Change in Control</u>. The Administrator shall have the authority, exercisable either in advance of any actual or anticipated Corporate Transaction or Change in Control or at the time of an actual Corporate Transaction or Change in Control and exercisable at the time of the grant of an Award under the Plan or any time while an Award remains outstanding, to provide for the full or partial automatic vesting and exercisability of one or more outstanding unvested Awards under the Plan and the release from restrictions on transfer and repurchase or forfeiture rights of such Awards in connection with a Corporate Transaction or Change in Control, on such terms and conditions as the Administrator may specify. The Administrator also shall have the authority to condition any such Award vesting and exercisability or release from such limitations upon the subsequent termination of the Continuous Service of the Grantee within a specified period following the effective date of the Corporate Transaction or Change in Control. The Administrator may provide that any Awards so vested or released from such limitations in connection with a Change in Control, shall remain fully exercisable until the expiration or sooner termination of the Award.

(c) <u>Effect of Acceleration on Incentive Stock Options</u>. Any Incentive Stock Option accelerated under this Section 11 in connection with a Corporate Transaction or Change in Control shall remain exercisable as an Incentive Stock Option under the Code only to the extent the \$100,000 dollar limitation of Section 422(d) of the Code is not exceeded.

12. <u>Effective Date and Term of Plan</u>. The Plan shall become effective upon the earlier to occur of its adoption by the Board or its approval by the stockholders of the Company. It shall continue in effect for a term of ten (10) years unless sooner terminated. Subject to Section 17, below, and Applicable Laws, Awards may be granted under the Plan upon its becoming effective.

### 13. Amendment, Suspension or Termination of the Plan.

(a) The Board may at any time amend, suspend or terminate the Plan; provided, however, that no such amendment shall be made without the approval of the Company's stockholders to the extent such approval is required by Applicable Laws, or if such amendment would lessen the stockholder approval requirements of Section 4(b)(vi) or this Section 13(a).

(b) No Award may be granted during any suspension of the Plan or after termination of the Plan.

(c) No suspension or termination of the Plan (including termination of the Plan under Section 11, above) shall adversely affect any rights under Awards already granted to a Grantee.

### 14. Reservation of Shares.

(a) The Company, during the term of the Plan, will at all times reserve and keep available such number of Shares as shall be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of the Plan.

(b) The inability of the Company to obtain authority from any regulatory body having jurisdiction, which authority is deemed by the Company's counsel to be necessary to the lawful issuance and sale of any Shares hereunder, shall relieve the Company of any liability in respect of the failure to issue or sell such Shares as to which such requisite authority shall not have been obtained.

15. <u>No Effect on Terms of Employment/Consulting Relationship</u>. The Plan shall not confer upon any Grantee any right with respect to the Grantee's Continuous Service, nor shall it interfere in any way with his or her right or the right of the Company or a Related Entity to terminate the Grantee's Continuous Service at any time, with or without cause including, but not limited to, Cause, and with or without notice. The ability of the Company or any Related Entity to terminate the employed at will is in no way affected by its determination that the Grantee's Continuous Service has been terminated for Cause for the purposes of this Plan.

16. <u>No Effect on Retirement and Other Benefit Plans</u>. Except as specifically provided in a retirement or other benefit plan of the Company or a Related Entity, Awards shall not be deemed compensation for purposes of computing benefits or contributions under any retirement plan of the Company or a Related Entity, and shall not affect any benefits under any other benefit plan of any kind or any benefit plan subsequently instituted under which the availability or amount of benefits is related to level of compensation. The Plan is not a "Retirement Plan," "Pension Plan" or "Welfare Plan" under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

17. <u>Stockholder Approval</u>. The grant of Incentive Stock Options under the Plan shall be subject to approval by the stockholders of the Company within twelve (12) months before or after the date the Plan is adopted excluding Incentive Stock Options issued in substitution for outstanding Incentive Stock Options pursuant to Section 424(a) of the Code. Such stockholder approval shall be obtained in the degree and manner required under Applicable Laws. The Administrator may grant Incentive Stock Options under the Plan prior to approval by the stockholders, but until such approval is obtained, no such Incentive Stock Option shall be exercisable. In the event that stockholder approval is not obtained within the twelve (12) month period provided above, all Incentive Stock Options previously granted under the Plan shall be exercisable as Non-Qualified Stock Options.

18. <u>Unfunded Obligation</u>. Grantees shall have the status of general unsecured creditors of the Company. Any amounts payable to Grantees pursuant to the Plan shall be unfunded and unsecured obligations for all purposes, including, without limitation, Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended. Neither the Company nor any Related Entity shall be required to segregate any monies from its general funds, or to create any trusts, or establish any special accounts with respect to such obligations. The Company shall retain at all times beneficial ownership of any investments, including trust investments, which the Company may make to fulfill its payment obligations hereunder. Any investments or the creation or maintenance of any trust or any Grantee account shall not create or constitute a trust or fiduciary relationship between the Administrator, the Company or any Related Entity and a Grantee, or otherwise create any vested or beneficial interest in any Grantee or the Grantee's creditors in any assets of the Company or a Related Entity. The Grantees shall have no claim against the Company or any Related Entity for any changes in the value of any assets that may be invested or reinvested by the Company with respect to the Plan.

19. <u>Construction</u>. Captions and titles contained herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of any provision of the Plan. Except when otherwise indicated by the context, the singular shall include the plural and the plural shall include the singular. Use of the term "or" is not intended to be exclusive, unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

20. <u>Nonexclusivity of the Plan</u>. Neither the adoption of the Plan by the Board, the submission of the Plan to the stockholders of the Company for approval, nor any provision of the Plan will be construed as creating any limitations on the power of the Board to adopt such additional compensation arrangements as it may deem desirable, including, without limitation, the granting of Awards otherwise than under the Plan, and such arrangements may be either generally applicable or applicable only in specific cases.