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CO2 GRO Inc. Provides a 2021 Review Highlighting Significant Progress and a 2022 Outlook

TORONTO, ON – February 16, 2022 (ACCESSWIRE) – Toronto based CO2 GRO Inc. ("**CO2 GRO**" or the "**Company**") (TSXV: GROW, OTCQB: BLONF, Frankfurt: 4021) is pleased to provide an update of its 2021 operations and an outlook for 2022.

John Archibald, CEO, commented, "While COVID did and is still hampering the pace of our commercial development in some regions, we have shown continuous progress in 2021 and in the first month of 2022 with more growers around the world adopting our technology. Our 2022 revenue forecast is between $1.5M-$2.5M which we are confident of achieving through the successful completion of on-going and new Technology Trials and subsequent Commercial Technology Purchases such as with Hidroexpo in 2021, as well as accelerating our direct Commercial Technology Purchases such as the US$127,750 sale announced on January 26th 2022."

Our Financial Review

- 33% Q/Q revenue growth from Q2 2021 ($91,660) to Q3 2021 ($122,103).
- 391% Y/Y revenue growth from Q3 2020 ($24,857) to Q3 2021 ($122,103).
- Achieved ten CO2 Delivery Solutions™ Commercial Technology Purchases (sales) in 2021.
  - Two realized after successful Technology Trials (formerly called commercial feasibilities).
  - Eight realized as direct sales.
- Received CanExport funding to support international activities.

Other 2021 Highlights

- Entered the Mexican Protected Ag Market with Rancho Nexo as a Marketing Partner.
- Entered the Malaysian Protected Ag Market with CH Green Sdn. Bhd. as a Marketing Partner.
- Entered the Spanish Protected Ag Market with Jose Andres Munoz as a Marketing Partner.

- Entered the Japanese Protected Ag Market with a Technology Trial at a vegetable greenhouse and joined the Japan Plant Factory Association.
- Largest sale in 2021 was in Q4 to El Salvador based Hidroexpo for 1 hectare out of their 36 total hectares of greenhouse peppers.
- Seventeen Technology Trials were announced in 2021 in Canada, the US and internationally in France, the Netherlands, the UK, Israel, South Africa, Japan and Malaysia.
- Ten CO2 Delivery Solutions™ sales, one to a repeat customer.
- The collective square footage of grow facilities conducting CO2 Delivery Solutions™ Technology Trials now exceeds 200 million square feet, with one customer operating 100 million square feet of grow space.

Ongoing Canadian Trade Commissioner Business Development Support

CO2 GRO's business development support by Canada's Trade Commissioners has been exceptionally helpful since first being selected in 2019 for California marketing introductions. Most potential international customers for CO2 Delivery Solutions™ are in geographies between 40° N & 40° S of the equator. About 70% of ongoing Technology Trials are currently with international customers.

- Canada's Trade Commissioners who managed the Canadian Technology Accelerator Ag Tech Program, Mexico selected CO2 GRO to participate. This was the Company's first entry to Mexico's 6 billion square foot protected ag market in Q2 2021.
- Canada's Trade Commissioners in the Netherlands, Belgium, Spain, Switzerland, France and Germany selected CO2 GRO to present at the May 2021 Collaborations in Sustainable Technologies in Agriculture webinar.
- Canada's Trade Commissioners to the Netherlands and Belgium selected CO2 GRO in early January 2022 to participate in their Virtual Trade Mission for revenue generating Canadian Ag Tech companies exporting to the EU, to be held February 21-25 2022.

Other 2021 Trade Missions and Trade Conferences of note

- Ontario's MEDJCT and the Toronto Board of Trade selected CO2 GRO to participate in the Mexico Virtual Trade Mission that supported Ontario Clean Tech companies.
- CO2 GRO participated in Mexico's Greentech America's and AMPHAC Annual Congress 2021 with Mexico marketing partner Rancho Nexo.
- CO2 GRO participated in the Cultivate '21 horticulture conference and tradeshow in Columbus, Ohio.
- Joined and presented at Japan's Tenth Annual Plant Factory Conference.

John Archibald, CEO commented "We have seen a continuous improvement each quarter in Technology Trials with the support of both our North American sales force and our international marketing partners. The support of Canadian Trade Commissioners in various key markets has been instrumental in accelerating introductions to potential key customers. We are very grateful to the Canadian Trade Commissioners for their continued support and we look forward to working with them to accelerate penetration of key markets globally."

"In addition, the value of Commercial Technology Purchase contracts signed, such as our recently announced US$127,750 sale and our sale to Hidroexpo, are increasing. The US$127,750 sale is particularly encouraging as it was achieved without a Technology Trial being conducted. These 2021 and early 2022 developments give us confidence as we look forward to achieving our 2022 $1.5M-$2M revenue forecast."

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About CO2 GRO Inc. CO2 GRO Inc.

CO2 GRO's proprietary CO2 Delivery Solutions™ technology is revolutionizing the global 600 billion square foot protected agriculture industry (Cuesta Roble 2019). We create a dissolved CO_2 solution that when misted onto plants provides growers that cannot gas with CO_2 the opportunity to increase plant yields by up to 30% and gross profits by up to 100%. Applying dissolved CO_2 also suppressed the development of pathogens such as *E.coli* and powdery mildew, helping to reduce crop losses. CO2 GRO's CO2 Delivery Solutions™ is protected by a suite of patents and patents pending.

The worldwide market for CO2 GRO's disruptive CO2 Delivery Solutions™ technology is the 50 billion square feet of greenhouses and 550 billion square feet of protected agriculture facilities (Cuesta Roble 2019). Growers can maximize revenue and profits with our systems' low fixed and variable costs and ease of systems installation.

CO2 GRO's management is rapidly expanding its international marketing partner relationships into Mexico, Spain, the EU, the UK, South Africa, the Middle East, Israel, South East Asia and Latin America as well as in its North American base.

CO2 GRO is committed to good Environment, Social and Governance (ES&G) policy and practices. We are an equal opportunity employer of choice and opportunity.

Our mission is to accelerate the growth of all value plants safely, economically, naturally and sustainably using our patented advanced CO2 Delivery Solutions™ while accreting value to our customers, stakeholders and shareholders.

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