

ZW Data Action Technologies Inc. Announces Pricing of \$18.7 Million Registered Direct Offering Priced at the Market under Nasdaq Rules

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BEIJING, Feb. 16, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- ZW Data Action Technologies Inc.(NASDAQ:CNET) ("ZW Data" or the "Company"), an integrated online advertising, precision marketing and data analytics and other value-added services company, today announced that it has entered into a securities purchase agreement with several institutional investors for a registered direct placement of approximately \$18.7 million of shares of common stock of the Company at a price of \$3.59 per share. The price was set at market price in accordance with the rules of Nasdaq. The Company will issue a total of 5,212,000 shares of common stock to the institutional investors. The Company also completed a concurrent private placement of warrants to purchase shares of common stock to the same institutional investors. Warrants to purchase up to 2,606,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$3.59 per share, which warrants will have a term of three and one-half years and not be exercisable for the first six months from the date of issuance.

The net proceeds from this offering are expected to be approximately \$17.1 million and will be used for general working capital purposes. If the warrants are exercised in full, the Company will receive additional proceeds of approximately \$9.4 million. The completion of the placement is expected to occur on or about February 18, 2021, subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions.

FT Global Capital, Inc. acted as the exclusive placement agent in connection with the offering.

The Company's Common Stock are being offered by in a registered direct offering pursuant to a "shelf" registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-228061) previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") declared effective by the SEC on August 3, 2020. The Securities may be offered only by means of a prospectus, including a prospectus supplement, forming a part of the effective registration statement. Once filed with the SEC, copies of the prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus relating to the registered direct offering may be obtained, when available, on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov or by contacting the Company at Room 1106, Xinghuo Keji Plaza, No. 2 Fengfu Road, Fengtai District, Beijing, PRC 100070, or telephone at +86-10-60846616. The Company's warrants and the shares of common stock that may be purchased upon exercise are not being offered pursuant to this prospectus supplement or the accompanying base prospectus and are being offered pursuant to an exemption provided in Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and Rule 506(b).

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy these securities, nor shall there be any sale of these securities, in any state or other jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state or other jurisdiction.

For further details of this transaction, please see the Form 8-K to be filed with the SEC.

About ZW Data Action Technologies Inc.

Established in 2003 and headquartered in Beijing, China, ZW Data Action Technologies Inc. (the "Company") offers online advertising, precision marketing, data analytics and other value-added services for enterprise clients. Leveraging its fully integrated services platform, proprietary database, and cutting-edge algorithms, ZW Data Action Technologies delivers customized, result-driven business solutions for small and medium-sized enterprise clients in China. The Company also develops blockchain and artificial intelligence enabled web/mobile applications and software solutions for general public, enterprise clients, and government agencies. More information about the Company can be found at: http://www.zdat.com/.

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