# 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): May 17, 2024

## ZW DATA ACTION TECHNOLOGIES INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-34647 (Commission File Number) **20-4672080** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Room 1811, Xinghuo Keji Plaza, No. 2 Fufeng Road, Fengtai District Beijing, CN 100070

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +86-10-60846616

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001	CNET	Nasdaq Capital Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

#### Item 3.01. Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

As previously disclosed on the Current Report on Form 8-K of ZW Data Action Technologies Inc. (the "Company") filed on April 19, 2024, the Company received a delinquency notification letter from the Listing Qualifications Department of The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") on April 17, 2024 (the "Initial Notice") due to the Company's non-compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5250(c)(1) (the "Rule") as a result of the Company's failure to timely file its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 (the "Initial Delinquent Filing").

The Company received a delinquency notification letter (the "Notice") from the Nasdaq on May 17, 2024 due to the Company's non-compliance with the Rule as a result of the Company's failure to timely file its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2024 (the "Form 10-Q"). The Rule requires listed companies to timely file all required periodic financial reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

The Notice states that the Company has until June 17, 2024, or 60 days from the Initial Notice, to submit to Nasdaq a plan to regain compliance with the Nasdaq Listing Rules. If Nasdaq accepts the Company's plan, then Nasdaq may grant the Company up to October 14, 2024, or 180 days from the due date of the Initial Delinquent Filing, for filing the Initial Delinquent Filing and Form 10-Q to regain compliance. If the Company fails to timely regain compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5250(c)(1), the Company's common stock will be subject to delisting from Nasdaq.

Management of the Company has been working diligently to complete all of the required information for the Form 10-K and Form 10-Q. However, the Company requires additional time to prepare, review and finalize its financial statements.

The Notice has no immediate impact on the listing of the Company's common stock, which will continue to trade on Nasdaq under the symbol "CNET".

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

As required under Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(b), the Company issued a press release on May 20, 2024, announcing that it had received the Notice. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in that filing.

#### **Forward Looking Statements**

Certain information contained in this report consists of forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Words such as "will," "would," "may," "intends," "potential," and similar expressions, or the use of future tense, identify forward-looking statements, but their absence does not mean that a statement is not forward-looking. Such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of performance and actual actions or events could differ materially from those contained in such statements. For example, there can be no assurance that the Company will regain compliance with the Rule during any compliance period or in the future, or otherwise meet Nasdaq compliance standards, that the Company will be eligible for a second compliance period, or that Nasdaq will grant the Company any relief from delisting as necessary or that the Company can ultimately meet applicable Nasdaq requirements for any such relief. The forward-looking statements contained in this report speak only as of the date of this report and the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements to reflect changes in information, events or circumstances after the date of this report, unless required by law.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<b>Description</b>
<u>99.1</u>	Press Release dated May 20, 2024
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

### SIGNATURE

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

### ZW Data Action Technologies Inc.

Date: May 20, 2024

By: <u>/s/ Handong Cheng</u>

Handong Cheng Chief Executive Officer and Acting Chief Financial Officer

# ZW Data Action Announces Receipt of Nasdaq Non-Compliance Notice

BEIJING, China, May 20, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- ZW Data Action Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: CNET) ("ZW Data Action" or the "Company"), an integrated online advertising, precision marketing, data analytics and other value-added services provider serving enterprise clients, today announced that it received a notice (the "Notice") from the Listing Qualifications Department of The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") on May 17, 2024 notifying the Company that due to the Company's failure to timely file its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2024 (the "Form 10-Q"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), the Company is not in compliance with Nasdaq's continued listing requirements under Nasdaq Listing Rule 5250(c)(1) (the "Rule"), which requires the timely filing of all required periodic reports with the SEC.

As reported on April 19, 2024, the Company has received a similar notice from Nasdaq on April 17, 2024 as a result of the Company's failure to timely file its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 (the "Form 10-K" or "Initial Delinquent Filing"). The Notice states that the Company has 60 calendar days, or until June 17, 2024, to submit to Nasdaq a plan to regain compliance with the Nasdaq Listing Rule. If the Company submits a plan to Nasdaq and Nasdaq accepts the plan, Nasdaq can grant an exception of up to 180 calendar days from the Initial Delinquent Filing's due date, or until October 14, 2024, for filing the Form 10-K and Form 10-Q to regain compliance. If the Company fails to timely regain compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5250(c)(1), the Company's common stock will be subject to delisting from Nasdaq.

Management of the Company has been working diligently to complete all of the required information for the Form 10-K and Form 10-Q. However, the Company requires additional time to prepare, review and finalize its financial statements.

This announcement is made in compliance with the Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(b), which requires prompt disclosure of receipt of a notification of deficiency.

## 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, the Company delivers customized, result-driven business solutions for small and medium-sized enterprise clients in China. The Company also develops blockchain enabled web/mobile applications and software solutions for clients. More information about the Company can be found at: http://www.zdat.com/.

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