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the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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KONGZHONG CORPORATION

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The press release and presentation of KongZhong Corporation (the “Company”), constituting Exhibits 1.1 to this Form 6-K, contain statements that may be viewed as “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Such forward-looking statements are, by their nature, subject to significant risks and uncertainties that may cause the actual performance, financial condition or results of operations of the Company to be materially different from any future performance, financial condition or results of operations expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements regarding trends in the wireless value-added services, wireless media and mobile games industries and our future business, financial conditions, results of operations and prospects.

Although such statements are based on the Company’s own information and information from other sources it believes to be reliable, you should not place undue reliance on them. These statements involve risks and uncertainties, and actual market trends and the Company’s results may differ materially from those expressed or implied in these forward-looking statements for a variety of reasons. Potential risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, continued competitive pressures in China's wireless value-added services, wireless media and mobile games industries and the effect of such pressure on prices; unpredictable changes in technology, consumer demand and usage preferences in the market; the state of and any change in the Company’s relationship with China's telecommunications operators; the Company’s dependence on the billing systems of telecommunications operators for its performance; the outcome of the Company’s investment of operating income generated from the wireless value-added services segment into the development of its wireless Internet segment and mobile games segment; changes in the regulations or policies of the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology and other relevant government authorities in China or elsewhere; and changes in political, economic, legal and social conditions in China, including the government's policies with respect to economic growth, foreign exchange, foreign investment and entry by foreign companies into China's telecommunications market. For additional discussion of these risks and uncertainties and other factors, please see the Company’s most recent Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, which apply only as of the date of this report on Form 6-K.

SIGNATURES

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, thereunto duly authorized.

KONGZHONG
CORPORATION

Date: September 29, 2011

By: /s/ Leilei Wang
Name: Leilei Wang
Title: Chief Executive
Officer

KongZhong Corporation Announces Share Repurchase Program

Beijing, China, September 29, 2011 – KongZhong Corporation (Nasdaq: KONG), a leading provider of digital entertainment services for consumers in the PRC, today announced that its Board of Directors has authorized the Company to repurchase up to US\$ 15 million worth of the Company's American Depositary Shares (ADSs). The share repurchase plan calls for the ADSs to be acquired in the open market from time to time depending upon market conditions, the market price of Company's ADSs and the management's assessment of the Company's liquidity and cash flow needs. The repurchase plan is intended to increase shareholder value and reduce the dilutive effect of the Company's equity incentive plans. The Company expects to finance the purchases from existing cash reserves. The share repurchase plan was approved by the Company's Board of Directors, including the Company's Chairman and CEO, Leilei Wang, on September 29, 2011.

Leilei Wang, the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of the Company, said, "The Board's decision to implement the share repurchase plan reflects its strong belief in the strength of the Company's businesses. With over US\$ 134 million in cash and cash equivalents, we have maintained a strong balance sheet and feel confident that this repurchase plan will enhance shareholder value. This has been a challenging yet positive year for our Company and the Internet and mobile gaming industry in China. I look forward to continuing leading major strategic initiatives, including the continued expansion of our Internet games business, and building on our Company's success and maintaining focus on creating value for our shareholders."

About KongZhong:

We are one of the leading providers of digital entertainment services for consumers in the PRC. We operate three main business units, namely WVAS, mobile games and Internet games. We are one of the leading providers of WVAS to mobile phone users. We began providing WVAS on the networks of China Mobile in 2002. Since 2004, we have provided WVAS on the networks of China Unicom, China Telecom, China Netcom and the other major telecommunications operators in the PRC. Since 2004, we have also offered news, entertainment, community and mobile advertising services through our wireless Internet sites, including Kong.net, ko.cn and ct.cn. In 2008, we began reporting our mobile games business as a stand-alone operating segment, while it was previously reported as part of our WVAS business. We began our Internet games business in 2010, through our acquisition of Shanghai Dacheng Network Technology Co., Ltd., a developer and operator of Internet games.

Safe Harbor Statements

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