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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.

Baidu, Inc.

By : /s/ Robin Yanhong Li
Name: : Robin Yanhong Li
Title: : Chief Executive Officer

Date: April 28, 2009

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Baidu Announces First Quarter 2009 Results

BEIJING, China, April 27, 2009 Baidu, Inc. (NASDAQ: BIDU), the leading Chinese language Internet search provider, today announced its unaudited financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2009¹.

First Quarter 2009 Highlights

Total revenues in the first quarter of 2009 were RMB810.7 million (\$118.6 million), a 41.1% increase from the corresponding period in 2008.

Operating profit in the first quarter of 2009 was RMB198.5 million (\$29.1 million), a 34.7% increase from the corresponding period in 2008.

Net income in the first quarter of 2009 was RMB181.1 million (\$26.5 million), a 23.5% increase from the corresponding period in 2008. **Diluted earnings per share** (EPS) for the first quarter of 2009 was RMB5.22 (\$0.76); **diluted EPS excluding share-based compensation expenses** (non-GAAP) for the first quarter of 2009 was RMB5.89 (\$0.86). Costs and expenses related to Baidu's Japan operations for the first quarter of 2009 were RMB39.5 million (\$5.8 million), which reduced diluted EPS by RMB1.14 (\$0.17).

Despite the typical seasonality associated with the Chinese New Year holiday and overall macro economic challenges, we were able to deliver strong results by focusing on executing initiatives that drove overall performance, said Robin Li, Baidu's chairman and CEO. In this uncertain economic environment, we see tremendous opportunity to reinforce to our customers the inherent advantages of our pay-for-performance platform. We are confident in our ability to continue growing.

Jennifer Li, Baidu's chief financial officer, added, During the quarter, our balanced approach to controlling costs allowed us to maintain healthy margins even as we continued to invest in important initiatives. Going forward, we will continue to invest in a disciplined fashion, particularly in the areas of user experience, monetization, operating efficiency and branding.

Recent Business Updates

On April 15, 2009, as a part of Project Aladdin, an initiative aimed at improving search comprehensiveness by uncovering useful parts of the hidden web, Baidu launched the beta version of an open data sharing platform. The new platform allows webmasters and developers to submit data to Baidu in order to generate direct search results for dynamic information.

¹ This announcement contains translations of certain RMB amounts into U.S. dollars at specified rates solely for the convenience of the reader. Unless otherwise noted, all translations from RMB to U.S. dollars are made at a rate of RMB6.8329 to US\$1.00, the effective noon buying rate as of March 31, 2009 in The City of New York for cable transfers of RMB as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

On April 20, 2009, the company publicly launched Baidu Online Marketing Professional Edition, also known as Phoenix Nest, an enhanced bidding platform for online marketing customers. This platform offers customers more choices for keywords, enhanced tools for managing marketing budget, and additional data points to analyze ROI. For Baidu's users, we believe that Professional Edition will produce more relevant paid search results, resulting in an improved search experience.

First Quarter 2009 Results

Baidu reported **total revenues** of RMB810.7 million (\$118.6 million) for the first quarter of 2009, representing a 41.1% increase from the corresponding period in 2008.

Online marketing revenues for the first quarter of 2009 were RMB810.2 million (\$118.6 million), representing a 41.5% increase from the corresponding period in 2008. Baidu had more than 185,000 active **online marketing customers** in the first quarter of 2009, representing a 14.9% increase from the corresponding period in 2008 and a 6.1% decrease from the previous quarter. **Revenue per online marketing customer** for the first quarter was approximately RMB4,400 (\$644), a 22.2% increase from the corresponding period in 2008 and a decrease of 4.3% from the previous quarter. The sequential decreases were primarily due to the usual seasonality associated with the Chinese New Year, a weaker economy, and the carry-over effect of the actions Baidu took near the end of 2008 to improve the quality of its customer base.

Traffic acquisition cost (TAC) as a component of cost of revenues was RMB124.1 million (\$18.2 million), representing 15.3% of total revenues, as compared to 13.3% in the corresponding period in 2008 and 14.6% in the fourth quarter of 2008. The increase in TAC as a percentage of total revenues reflects the continued fast growth of Baidu's Union business.

Bandwidth costs as a component of cost of revenues were RMB48.3 million (\$7.1 million), representing 6.0% of total revenues, compared to 6.7% in the corresponding period in 2008. **Depreciation costs** as a component of cost of revenues were RMB59.6 million (\$8.7 million), representing 7.4% of total revenues, compared to 9.3% in the corresponding period in 2008. The decreases in bandwidth and depreciation costs as percentages of total revenues reflect efficiency improvement as well as increased scalability of investment in capital expenditure.

Selling, general and administrative expenses were RMB204.3 million (\$29.9 million), representing an increase of 39.0% from the corresponding period in 2008, primarily due to the increase in marketing expense as part of our branding efforts.

Research and development expenses were RMB85.7 million (\$12.5 million), representing a 66.7% increase from the corresponding period in 2008, primarily due to the increased number of research and development personnel.

Share-based compensation expenses, which were allocated to related operating costs and expense line items, increased in aggregate by 44.9% to RMB23.5 million (\$3.4 million) in the first quarter of 2009 from RMB16.2 million in the corresponding period in 2008. The increase in share-based compensation expenses was primarily due to an increase in options and restricted shares awarded to employees.

Operating profit was RMB198.5 million (\$29.1 million), representing a 34.7% increase from the corresponding period in 2008. **Operating profit excluding share-based compensation expenses** (non-GAAP) was RMB222.0 million (\$32.5 million), a 35.7% increase from the corresponding period in 2008.

Income tax expense was RMB26.9 million (\$3.9 million), compared to an income tax expense of RMB10.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The effective tax rate for the first quarter of 2009 was 12.9% as compared to 6.9% for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase in effective tax rate was primarily due to the expiration or lapsing of tax holidays previously enjoyed by some Baidu entities.

Net income was RMB181.1 million (\$26.5 million), representing a 23.5% increase from the corresponding period in 2008. **Basic and diluted EPS** for the first quarter of 2009 amounted to RMB5.25 (\$0.77) and RMB5.22 (\$0.76), respectively.

Net income excluding share-based compensation expenses (non-GAAP) was RMB204.6 million (\$29.9 million), a 25.7% increase from the corresponding period in 2008. Basic and diluted EPS excluding share based compensation expense (non-GAAP) for the first quarter of 2009 amounted to RMB5.93 (\$0.87) and RMB5.89 (\$0.86), respectively. As of March 31, 2009, the Company had **cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments** of RMB2.8 billion (\$405.5 million). Net operating cash inflow and capital expenditures for the first quarter of 2009 were RMB247.4 million (\$36.2 million) and RMB41.7 million (\$6.1 million), respectively.

Adjusted EBITDA (non-GAAP), defined in this announcement as earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, other non-operating income and share-based compensation expenses, was RMB296.6 million (\$43.4 million) for the first quarter of 2009, representing a 29.9% increase from the corresponding period in 2008.

Outlook for Second Quarter 2009

Baidu currently expects to generate total revenues in an amount ranging from RMB1,070 million (\$157 million) to RMB1,100 million (\$161 million) for the second quarter of 2009, representing a 32% to 36% sequential increase. This forecast reflects Baidu's current and preliminary view, which is subject to change.

Conference Call Information

Baidu's management will hold an earnings conference call at 8 PM on April 27, 2009 U.S. Eastern Daylight Time (8 AM on April 28, 2009 Beijing/Hong Kong time).

Dial-in details for the conference call are as follows:

US: +1.617.614.3452
UK: +44.207.365.8426
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Passcode for all regions: 50990188

A replay of the conference call may be accessed by phone at the following number until May 4, 2009:

International: +1.617.801.6888

Passcode: 98320803

Additionally, a live and archived webcast of this conference call will be available at <http://ir.baidu.com>.

About Baidu

Baidu, Inc. is the leading Chinese language Internet search provider. As a technology-based media company, Baidu aims to provide the best way for people to find information. In addition to serving Internet search users, Baidu provides an effective platform for businesses to reach potential customers. Baidu's ADSs, each of which represents one Class A ordinary share, currently trade on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "BIDU".

Safe Harbor Statement

This announcement contains forward-looking statements. These statements are made under the "safe harbor" provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as "will," "expects," "anticipates," "future," "intends," "plans," "believes," "estimates," "confident" and "statements." Among other things, the outlook for second quarter 2009 and quotations from management in this announcement, as well as Baidu's strategic and operational plans, contain forward-looking statements. Baidu may also make written or oral forward-looking statements in its periodic reports to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, in its annual report to shareholders, in press releases and other written materials and in oral statements made by its officers, directors or employees to third parties. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about Baidu's beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. A number of factors

could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement, including but not limited to the following: our growth strategies; our future business development, including development of new products and services; our ability to attract and retain users and customers; competition in the Chinese and Japanese language Internet search markets; competition for online marketing customers; changes in our revenues and certain cost or expense items as a percentage of our revenues; the outcome of ongoing, or any future, litigation or arbitration, including those relating to intellectual property rights; the expected growth of the Chinese language Internet search market and the number of Internet and broadband users in China; Chinese governmental policies relating to the Internet and Internet search providers and general economic conditions in China, Japan and elsewhere. Further information regarding these and other risks is included in our annual report on Form 20-F and other documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Baidu does not undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statement, except as required under applicable law. All information provided in this press release and in the attachments is as of April 27, 2009, and Baidu undertakes no duty to update such information, except as required under applicable law.

About Non-GAAP Financial Measures

To supplement Baidu's consolidated financial results presented in accordance with GAAP, Baidu uses the following measures defined as non-GAAP financial measures by the SEC: adjusted EBITDA, operating profit excluding share-based compensation expenses, net income excluding share-based compensation expenses, and basic and diluted EPS excluding share-based compensation expenses. The presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures is not intended to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for the financial information prepared and presented in accordance with GAAP. For more information on these non-GAAP financial measures, please see the tables captioned

Reconciliations of non-GAAP results of operations measures to the nearest comparable GAAP measures and Reconciliation from net cash provided by operating activities to adjusted EBITDA set forth at the end of this release. Baidu believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide meaningful supplemental information regarding its performance and liquidity by excluding certain expenses, particularly share-based compensation expenses, that may not be indicative of its operating We believe that both management and investors benefit from referring to these non-GAAP financial measures in assessing our performance and when planning and forecasting future periods. These non-GAAP financial measures also facilitate management's internal comparisons to Baidu's historical performance and liquidity. Baidu has computed its non-GAAP financial measures using the same consistent method from quarter to quarter since April 1, 2006. We believe these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to investors in allowing for greater transparency with respect to supplemental information used by management in its financial and operational decision making. A limitation of using these non-GAAP financial measures is that these non-GAAP measures exclude share-based compensation charge that has been and will continue to be for the foreseeable future a

significant recurring expense in our results of operations. A limitation of using non-GAAP Adjusted EBITDA is that it does not include all items that impact our net income for the period. Management compensates for these limitations by providing specific information regarding the GAAP amounts excluded from each non-GAAP measure. The accompanying tables have more details on the reconciliations between GAAP financial measures that are most directly comparable to non-GAAP financial measures.

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Baidu, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

| (in RMB thousands) | March 31 2009 | December 31 2008 | March 31, 2008 |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Unaudited | Audited | Unaudited |
| ASSETS | | | |
| Current assets: | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 2,494,320 | 2,362,171 | 1,427,298 |
| Short-term investments | 276,329 | 301,244 | 238,776 |
| Accounts receivable, net | 76,434 | 92,777 | 65,432 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 76,785 | 80,007 | 70,330 |
| Receivables from a shareholder | | 10,697 | |
| Deferred tax assets, net | 5,580 | 5,580 | 2,587 |
| Total current assets | 2,929,448 | 2,852,476 | 1,804,423 |
| Non-current assets: | | | |
| Fixed assets, net | 767,159 | 789,714 | 678,716 |
| Land use right, net | 94,032 | 94,520 | 95,984 |
| Intangible assets, net | 28,896 | 31,263 | 38,932 |
| Goodwill | 54,083 | 51,082 | 51,086 |
| Investments, net | 12,300 | 12,281 | 15,061 |
| Deferred tax assets, net | 27,679 | 26,537 | 20,496 |
| Other non-current assets | 85,416 | 80,118 | 52,574 |
| Total non-current assets | 1,069,565 | 1,085,515 | 952,849 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 3,999,013 | 3,937,991 | 2,757,272 |
| LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities | 410,740 | 423,029 | 296,220 |
| Customers deposits | 379,090 | 422,526 | 270,169 |
| Deferred revenue | 5,662 | 3,441 | 12,452 |
| Deferred income | 52 | 332 | 1,835 |
| Total current liabilities | 795,544 | 849,328 | 580,676 |
| Non-current liabilities: | | | |
| Deferred income | | | 52 |
| Total non-current liabilities | | | 52 |

| | | | |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total liabilities | 795,544 | 849,328 | 580,728 |
| Shareholders equity | | | |
| Class A Ordinary Shares, Par value US\$0.00005 per share, 825,000,000 shares authorized, and 25,641,847 shares and 25,678,183 shares issued and outstanding as at December 31, 2008 and March 31, 2009 | 11 | 11 | 10 |
| Class B Ordinary Shares, Par value US\$0.00005 per share, 35,400,000 shares authorized, and 8,873,986 shares and 8,873,986 shares issued and outstanding as at December 31, 2008 and March 31, 2009 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 1,183,217 | 1,218,356 | 1,197,281 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (116,305) | (109,552) | (99,085) |
| Retained earnings | 2,136,542 | 1,979,844 | 1,078,334 |
| Total shareholders equity | 3,203,469 | 3,088,663 | 2,176,544 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY | 3,999,013 | 3,937,991 | 2,757,272 |

Baidu, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

| (in RMB thousands except for share, per share information) | For the Three Months Ended | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | March 31, 2009 | March 31, 2008 | December 31, 2008 |
| | Unaudited | Unaudited | Unaudited |
| Revenues: | | | |
| Online marketing services | 810,193 | 572,710 | 901,389 |
| Other services | 518 | 1,686 | 731 |
| Total revenues | 810,711 | 574,396 | 902,120 |
| | | | |
| Operating costs and expenses: | | | |
| Cost of revenues (note 1, 2) | (322,235) | (228,592) | (336,543) |
| Selling, general and administrative (note 2) | (204,300) | (147,031) | (175,313) |
| Research and development (note 2) | (85,670) | (51,406) | (85,541) |
| Total operating costs and expenses | (612,205) | (427,029) | (597,397) |
| | | | |
| Operating profit | 198,506 | 147,367 | 304,723 |
| | | | |
| Other income: | | | |
| Interest income | 9,123 | 10,604 | 15,320 |
| Exchange loss, net | | (1,708) | (2) |
| Other income, net | 385 | 1,194 | 10,451 |
| Total other income | 9,508 | 10,090 | 25,769 |
| | | | |
| Income before income taxes | 208,014 | 157,457 | 330,492 |
| | | | |
| Income taxes | (26,897) | (10,859) | (41,826) |
| Net income | 181,117 | 146,598 | 288,666 |
| | | | |
| Earnings per share for Class A and Class B ordinary shares: | | | |
| Basic | 5.25 | 4.29 | 8.39 |
| Diluted | 5.22 | 4.22 | 8.31 |
| | | | |
| Weighted average aggregate number of Class A and Class B ordinary shares outstanding: | | | |
| Basic | 34,525,338 | 34,154,776 | 34,392,036 |

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|--|------------|------------|------------|
| Diluted | 34,727,972 | 34,765,164 | 34,740,057 |
| (1) Cost of revenues are detailed as follows: | | | |
| Business tax and surcharges | (48,868) | (35,071) | (58,215) |
| Traffic acquisition costs | (124,119) | (76,632) | (131,352) |
| Bandwidth costs | (48,280) | (38,365) | (49,245) |
| Depreciation costs | (59,616) | (53,194) | (57,908) |
| Operational costs | (39,719) | (24,415) | (38,317) |
| Share-based compensation expenses | (1,633) | (915) | (1,506) |
| Total cost of revenues | (322,235) | (228,592) | (336,543) |
| (2) Includes share-based compensation expenses as follows: | | | |
| Cost of revenues | (1,633) | (915) | (1,506) |
| Selling, general and administrative | (11,156) | (8,014) | (10,220) |
| Research and development | (10,665) | (7,252) | (9,765) |
| Total share-based compensation expenses | (23,454) | (16,181) | (21,491) |

Reconciliations of non-GAAP results of operations measures to the nearest comparable GAAP measures (*) (in RMB thousands, unaudited)

| | Three months ended March 31, 2008 | | | Three months ended December 31, 2008 | | | Three months ended March 31, 2009 | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------------|---|------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------------|
| | GAAP Result | Adjustment | Non-GAAP Results | GAAP Result | Adjustment | Non-GAAP Results | GAAP Result | Adjustment | Non-GAAP Results |
| Operating profit | 147,367 | 16,181 | 163,548 | 304,723 | 21,491 | 326,214 | 198,506 | 23,454 | 221,960 |
| | Three months ended March 31, 2008 | | | Three months ended December 31, 2008 | | | Three months ended March 31, 2009 | | |
| | GAAP Result | Adjustment | Non-GAAP Results | GAAP Result | Adjustment | Non-GAAP Results | GAAP Result | Adjustment | Non-GAAP Results |
| Net income | 146,598 | 16,181 | 162,779 | 288,666 | 21,491 | 310,157 | 181,117 | 23,454 | 204,571 |

(*) The adjustment is only for share-based compensation.

Reconciliation from net cash provided by operating activities to adjusted EBITDA(*) (in RMB thousands, unaudited)

| | Three months ended March 31, 2008 | As a % of total revenues | Three months ended December 31, 2008 | As a % of total revenues | Three months ended March 31, 2009 | As a % of total revenues |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 248,876 | 43% | 482,108 | 53% | 247,438 | 31% |
| Changes in assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions | (21,273) | -4% | (99,277) | -11% | 31,799 | 4% |
| Income taxes expenses | 10,859 | 2% | 41,826 | 5% | 26,897 | 3% |
| Interest income and other, net | (10,090) | -2% | (25,769) | -3% | (9,508) | -1% |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 228,372 | 39% | 398,888 | 44% | 296,626 | 37% |

(*) Definition of adjusted EBITDA: earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, other non-operating income, and share-based compensation expenses.