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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2011

Commission file number 001-11460

NTN Buzztime, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 31-1103425

(State of incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

5966 LA PLACE COURT, CARLSBAD, 92008 CALIFORNIA

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(760) 438-7400 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. YES x NO "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, if any, every interactive data file required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes "No"

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer "(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). YES " NO x

As of May 9, 2011 the registrant had outstanding 60,875,090 shares of common stock, \$.005 par value per share.

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PART I Financial Statements.

NTN BUZZTIME, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except par value amount)

| | March 31, 2011 | D | ecember 31, 2010 |
|---|-------------------|-----|---------------------|
| ASSETS | (unaudited) | | |
| Current Assets: | # 4 022 | Φ. | 2006 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$4,033 | | 3,906 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowances of \$194 and \$220, respectively | 499 | | 549 |
| Investments available-for-sale (Note 5) | 158 | | 184 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 824 | | 588 |
| Total current assets | 5,514 | | 5,227 |
| Broadcast equipment and fixed assets, net | 3,622 | 3 | 3,638 |
| Software development costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$1,682 and \$1,591, | | | |
| respectively | 1,131 | | 1,094 |
| Deferred costs | 975 | 8 | 839 |
| Goodwill (Note 3) | 1,296 | | 1,261 |
| Intangible assets, net (Note 3) | 928 | 1 | 1,025 |
| Other assets | 88 | 4 | 41 |
| Total assets | \$13,554 | \$1 | 13,125 |
| | | | |
| LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | |
| Current Liabilities: | | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | \$1,412 | \$8 | 874 |
| Accrued compensation | 1,043 | 6 | 528 |
| Sales taxes payable | 792 | 8 | 856 |
| Income taxes payable | 4 | 8 | 3 |
| Obligations under capital lease - current portion | 322 | 3 | 376 |
| Deferred revenue | 597 | 5 | 520 |
| Other current liabilities | 65 | 7 | 74 |
| Total current liabilities | 4,235 | 3 | 3,336 |
| Obligations under capital leases, excluding current portion | 82 | 1 | 105 |
| Deferred revenue, excluding current portion | 141 | 1 | 124 |
| Other liabilities | 60 | ç | 99 |
| Total liabilities | 4,518 | 3 | 3,664 |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 8) | | | |
| Shareholders' Equity: | | | |
| Series A 10% cumulative convertible preferred stock, \$.005 par value, \$161 | | | |
| liquidation preference, 5,000 shares authorized; 161 shares issued and outstanding | | | |
| at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Common stock, \$.005 par value, 84,000 shares authorized; 60,875 and 60,751 | | | |
| shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2011 and December 31, | | | |
| 2010, respectively | 304 | 3 | 304 |
| Treasury stock, at cost, 503 shares at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 | (456 | | (456) |
| | (.= = | , (|) |

| Additional paid-in capital | 116,219 | 116,114 | |
|---|----------|------------|---|
| Accumulated deficit | (107,843 |) (107,284 |) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (Note 9) | 811 | 782 | |
| Total shareholders' equity | 9,036 | 9,461 | |
| Total shareholders' equity and liabilities | \$13,554 | \$13,125 | |

See accompanying notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

NTN BUZZTIME, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

Three months ended March 31, 2011 2010

| Revenues | \$6,001 | \$6,271 | |
|--|---------|-----------|---|
| Operating expenses: | ψ0,001 | Ψ0,271 | |
| Direct operating costs (includes depreciation and amortization of \$648 and \$608, | | | |
| respectively) | 1,524 | 1,540 | |
| Selling, general and administrative | 4,832 | 4,918 | |
| Depreciation and amortization (excluding depreciation and amortization included i | n | | |
| direct operating costs) | 165 | 172 | |
| Total operating expenses | 6,521 | 6,630 | |
| Operating loss | (520 |) (359 |) |
| Other (expense) income, net | (28 |) 6 | |
| Loss before income taxes | (548 |) (353 |) |
| Provision for income taxes | (11 |) (36 |) |
| Net loss | \$(559 |) \$(389 |) |
| | | | |
| Net loss per common share - basic and diluted | \$(0.01 |) \$(0.01 |) |
| | | | |
| Weighted average shares outstanding - basic and diluted | 60,372 | 59,900 | |

See accompanying notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

NTN BUZZTIME, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) (In thousands)

| | Three months ended March 31, | | |
|---|------------------------------|------------|--|
| | 2011 | 2010 | |
| Cash flows provided by operating activities: | | | |
| Net loss | \$(559 |) \$(389) | |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities: | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 813 | 780 | |
| Provision for doubtful accounts | (16 |) 94 | |
| Gain on contract termination | - | (11) | |
| Stock-based compensation | 71 | 60 | |
| Loss from disposition of equipment and capitalized software | 18 | 2 | |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: | | | |
| Accounts receivable | 68 | (488) | |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | (283 |) 77 | |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 838 | 8 | |
| Income taxes payable | (4 |) 50 | |
| Deferred costs | (135 |) 115 | |
| Deferred revenue | 93 | (142) | |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 904 | 156 | |
| Cash flows used in investing activities: | | | |
| Capital expenditures | (482 |) (302) | |
| Software development expenditures | (200 |) (314) | |
| Trademark license | - | (35) | |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (682 |) (651) | |
| Cash flows used in financing activities: | | | |
| Principal payments on capital lease | (130 |) (83 | |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options | 34 | 56 | |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (96 |) (27) | |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 126 | (522) | |
| Effect of exchange rate on cash | 1 | (10) | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 3,906 | 3,637 | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$4,033 | \$3,105 | |
| Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information: | | | |
| Cash paid during the period for: | | | |
| Interest | \$14 | \$27 | |
| Income taxes | \$18 | \$18 | |
| Supplemental disclosure of non-cash investing and financing activities: | | | |
| Unrealized holding loss on investments available-for-sale | \$(26 |) \$(11) | |
| Equipment acquired under capital lease | \$52 | \$254 | |

See accompanying notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

NTN BUZZTIME, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

(1) BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Description of Business

NTN Buzztime, Inc. (the "Company") was incorporated in Delaware in 1984 as Alroy Industries and changed its corporate name to NTN Communications, Inc. in 1985. The Company changed its name to NTN Buzztime, Inc. in 2005 to better reflect the growing role of the Buzztime consumer brand.

The Company has been in the business of social interactive entertainment for over 25 years. Its primary source of revenue is the Buzztime Network, which focuses on the distribution of the Company's interactive promotional television game network programming, primarily to almost 3,900 hospitality venues such as restaurants and bars throughout North America.

Basis of Accounting Presentation

The accompanying unaudited interim condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) for interim financial statements and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 8 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements include all adjustments that are necessary, which are of a normal and recurring nature, for a fair presentation for the periods presented of the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries: IWN, Inc., IWN, L.P., Buzztime Entertainment, Inc., NTN Wireless Communications, Inc., NTN Software Solutions, Inc., NTN Canada, Inc., and NTN Buzztime, Ltd., all of which, other than NTN Canada, Inc., are dormant subsidiaries. All significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto contained in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010. The accompanying condensed balance sheet as of December 31, 2010 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. The results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2011 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be anticipated for the entire year ending December 31, 2011, or any other period.

The United States dollar is the Company's functional currency, except for its operations in Canada where the functional currency is the Canadian dollar. The financial position and results of operations of the Company's foreign subsidiaries are measured using the foreign subsidiary's local currency as the functional currency. In accordance with ASC No. 830, Foreign Currency Matters, revenues and expenses of our foreign subsidiaries have been translated into U.S. dollars at weighted average exchange rates prevailing during the period. Assets and liabilities have been translated at the rates of exchange on the balance sheet date. The resulting translation gain and loss adjustments are recorded as a separate component of shareholders' equity, unless there is a sale or complete liquidation of the underlying foreign investments. Transaction gains and losses that arise from exchange rate fluctuations on transactions denominated in a currency other than the functional currency are included in the results of operations as incurred. During the quarter ended March 31, 2011, the Company modified certain aspects of its intercompany relationship with the Canadian subsidiary. Consequently, certain gains and losses that were previously recorded as a separate

component of shareholders' equity must now be recorded in the Company's results of operations. For the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, the Company recorded \$9,000 in foreign currency losses and \$23,000 in foreign currency gains, respectively, due to settlements of intercompany transactions and re-measurement of intercompany balances with our Canadian subsidiary as well as other non-functional currency denominated transactions, which are included in other (expense) income, net in the accompanying statements of operations.

Reclassifications

The Company reclassified the condensed consolidated statement of operations for the period ended March 31, 2010 to conform to the 2011 presentation.

(2) BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE

The Company computes basic and diluted earnings per common share in accordance with the provisions of ASC No. 260, Earnings per Share. Basic earnings per share excludes the dilutive effects of options, warrants and other convertible securities. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution of securities that could share in our earnings. Options, warrants, convertible preferred stock and deferred stock units representing approximately 9,540,000 and 7,981,000 shares of the Company's common stock as of March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively, were excluded from the computations of diluted net loss per common share as their effect was anti-dilutive.

(3) GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill

The Company's goodwill balance relates to the purchase of NTN Canada. The Company performed its annual test for goodwill impairment for NTN Canada as of September 30, 2010 and determined that there were no indications of impairment at that time. The Company considered the need to perform an additional test of goodwill of its Canadian business as of March 31, 2011, but determined that the overall health of the underlying Canadian business has remained stable since the September 30, 2010 valuation.

Other Intangible Assets

The Company has intangible assets comprised predominantly of unpatented technology and customer relationships from asset acquisitions during 2009, developed technology, trivia databases and trademarks. All intangible assets are amortized on a straight line basis. The useful lives of the assets reflect the estimated period of time and method by which the underlying intangible asset benefits will be realized. Amortization expense relating to all intangible assets totaled \$101,000 and \$123,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

(4) SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COSTS

The Company capitalizes costs related to the development of certain of its software products in accordance with ASC No. 350. Amortization expense relating to capitalized software development costs totaled \$149,000 and \$121,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. As of March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, approximately \$187,000 and \$331,000, respectively, of capitalized software costs were not subject to amortization as the development of various software projects was not complete.

The Company performed its quarterly review of software development projects for the three months ended March 31, 2011, and determined to abandon various software development projects that it concluded were no longer a current strategic fit or for which the Company determined that the marketability of the content had decreased due to obtaining additional information regarding the specific industry for which the content was intended. As a result, an impairment loss of \$14,000 was recognized for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and is included in selling, general and administrative expenses. There was no impairment loss recognized for the three months ended March 31, 2010.

(5) INVESTMENTS AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE

Investment securities consist of equity securities, which are classified as available-for-sale securities. Available-for-sale securities are recorded at fair value and unrealized holding gains and losses are excluded from earnings and are reported as a separate component of comprehensive income until realized. Realized gains and losses from the sale of available-for-sale securities are determined on a specific-identification basis. A decline in the market

value of any available-for-sale security below cost that is deemed to be other-than-temporary results in a reduction in the carrying amount to fair value. Any resulting impairment is charged to other expense and a new cost basis for the security is established.

The Company holds one investment available-for-sale asset, which is comprised of 2,518,000 shares of its Australian licensee eBet Limited (eBet), an Australian gaming technology corporation. The Company's holding in eBet represents less than 1% of eBet's current outstanding shares. The value of the investment decreased \$26,000 and \$11,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Based on the closing market price at March 31, 2011, the value of the investment was approximately \$158,000. The unrealized gains and losses of this investment are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income in the Company's consolidated balance sheet (see Note 9). As of March 31, 2011, the cumulative loss of the eBet investment was \$6,000. The Company has reviewed the eBet investment in accordance with ASC No. 320, Investments – Debt and Equity Securities, to determine if the loss is more than temporary in nature. Management has determined that the loss is temporary based on the fact that the investment appreciated in value in several quarters during the last two years. The Company will continue to monitor this investment for any decline in value that could be deemed other-than-temporary ultimately resulting in future impairments.

(6) FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

ASC No. 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, applies to certain assets and liabilities that are being measured and reported on a fair value basis. Broadly, the ASC No. 820 framework requires fair value to be determined based on the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. ASC No. 820 also establishes a fair value hierarchy for ranking the quality and reliability of the information used to determine fair values. This hierarchy is as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Observable market based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data.

Assets and Liabilities that are Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis:

The fair value of the Company's investment in eBet Limited is determined based on quoted market prices, which is a Level 1 classification. The Company records the investment on the balance sheet at fair value with changes in fair value recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income in the consolidated balance sheet (see Note 9).

Assets and Liabilities that are Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis:

Certain assets are measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis. These assets are not measured at fair value on an ongoing basis but are subject to fair value adjustments only in certain circumstances. Included in this category are goodwill written down to fair value when determined to be impaired, assets and liabilities related to business combinations during 2009, and long-lived assets including capitalized software that are written down to fair value when they are held for sale or determined to be impaired. The valuation methods for goodwill, assets and liabilities resulting from business combinations, and long-lived assets involve assumptions concerning interest and discount rates, growth projections, and/or other assumptions of future business conditions. As all of the assumptions employed to measure these assets and liabilities on a nonrecurring basis are based on management's judgment using internal and external data, these fair value determinations are classified in Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy.

(7) STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The Company records stock-based compensation in accordance with ASC No. 718, Compensation – Stock Compensation. The Company estimates the fair value of stock options using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The fair value of stock options granted is recognized as expense over the requisite service period. Stock-based compensation expense for all share-based payment awards is recognized using the straight-line single-option method.

The Company uses the historical stock price volatility as an input to value its stock options under ASC No. 718. The expected term of stock options represents the period of time options are expected to be outstanding and is based on observed historical exercise patterns of the Company, which the Company believes are indicative of future exercise behavior. For the risk-free interest rate, the Company uses the observed interest rates appropriate for the term of time options are expected to be outstanding. The dividend yield assumption is based on the Company's history and expectation of dividend payouts.

The following weighted-average assumptions were used for grants issued during the three months ended March 31, 2011 under the ASC No. 718 requirements. There were no grants issued during the three months ended March 31, 2010.

| | Three months ended March 31, |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | 2011 |
| Weighted-average risk-free rate | 1.69% |
| Weighted-average volatility | 97.22% |
| Dividend yield | 0.00% |
| Expected life | 4.45 years |

ASC No. 718 requires forfeitures to be estimated at the time of grant and revised if necessary in subsequent periods if actual forfeiture rates differ from those estimates. Forfeitures were estimated based on historical activity for the Company. Stock-based compensation expense for employees for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010 was \$71,000 and \$60,000, respectively, and is expensed in selling, general and administrative expenses and credited to additional paid-in-capital.

(8) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Sales and Use Tax

From time to time, state tax authorities will make inquiries as to whether or not a portion of the Company's services require the collection of sales and use taxes from customers in those states. Many states have expanded their interpretation of their sales and use tax statutes to derive additional revenue. The Company evaluates such inquiries on a case-by-case basis and has favorably resolved the majority of these tax issues in the past without any material adverse consequences.

The Company is involved in ongoing sales tax inquiries, including certain formal assessments which total \$705,000, with certain states and provinces. As a result of those inquiries, the Company recorded a total liability of \$717,000 and \$746,000 as of March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, which is included in the sales taxes payable balance in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. Based on the guidance set forth by ASC No. 450, Contingencies, management has deemed the likelihood as reasonably possible that it will be required to pay all or part of these assessments with other states.

(9) ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Accumulated other comprehensive income is the combination of accumulated net unrealized gains or losses on investments available-for-sale and the accumulated gains or losses from foreign currency translation adjustments. The Company translated the assets and liabilities of its Canadian statement of financial position into U.S. dollars using the period end exchange rate. Revenue and expenses were translated using the weighted-average exchange rates for the reporting period.

The carrying value of the Company's Australian investment, eBet, has fluctuated and the respective unrealized gains and losses are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income. As of March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010,

the components of accumulated other comprehensive income are as follows:

| | March 31, 2011 | | Dec | cember 31, 2010 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|---|-----|-----------------|
| Unrealized (loss) gain on investment | | | | |
| available-for-sale | \$ (6,000 |) | \$ | 20,000 |
| Foreign currency translation | | | | |
| adjustment | 817,000 | | | 762,000 |
| Ending balance | \$ 811,000 | | \$ | 782,000 |

(10) RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In October 2009, the FASB issued an accounting standards update to ASC No. 605-25, Revenue Recognition—Multiple-Element Arrangements. The purpose of this update is to amend the criteria used for separating consideration in multiple-deliverable arrangements. In particular, the amendment:

Establishes a selling price hierarchy for determining the selling price of a deliverable; replaces the term "fair value" in the revenue allocation guidance with "selling price" to clarify that the allocation of revenue is based on entity-specific assumptions rather than assumptions of a marketplace participant;

Eliminates using the residual method of allocation and requires that the arrangement consideration be allocated at the inception of the arrangement to all deliverables using the relative selling price method; and

Requires that the best estimate of a selling price is determined in a manner that is consistent with that used to determine the price to sell the deliverable on a standalone basis.

The amendments in this update are effective prospectively for revenue arrangements entered into or materially modified in fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010, which is the Company's 2011 fiscal year. The adoption of these amendments did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In October 2009, the FASB issued an accounting standards update to ASC No. 985, Software. The purpose of this update is to change the accounting model for revenue arrangements that include both tangible products and software elements. Tangible products containing software components and nonsoftware components that function together to deliver the tangible product's essential functionality are no longer within the scope of the software revenue guidance in Subtopic 985-605. In addition, this update requires that hardware components of a tangible product containing software components always be excluded from the software revenue guidance. In addition, the update provides guidance on how a vendor should allocate arrangement consideration to deliverables in an arrangement that includes both tangible products and software. The amendments in this update are effective prospectively for revenue arrangements entered into or materially modified in fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010, which is the Company's 2011 fiscal year. The adoption of this amendment did not have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In December 2009, the Company adopted the updated guidance issued by the FASB related to ASC Topic No. 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, which requires a reporting entity to separately disclose the amounts of significant transfers in and out of Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements and to describe the reasons for the transfers. The updated guidance also requires that an entity provide fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities and disclosures about the valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and non-recurring Level 2 and Level 3 fair value measurements. This guidance was effective for interim or annual financial reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, which was the Company's 2010 fiscal year. The adoption of this updated guidance did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In addition, the updated guidance requires that in the reconciliation for fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs, or Level 3, a reporting entity separately disclose information about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements on a gross basis rather than as one net number. This guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010, which is the Company's 2011 fiscal year. The adoption of this amendment did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In April 2010, the FASB issued an accounting standards update to ASC Topic No. 718, Compensation – Stock Compensation. ASC No. 718 stipulates that a share-based payment award that contains a condition that is not a market, performance, or a service condition is required to be classified as a liability. This update clarifies that when an employee share-based payment award with an exercise price denominated in the currency of a market in which a substantial portion of the entity's securities trades differs from the functional currency of the employer entity or payroll currency of the employee, such award should not be considered to contain a condition that is not a market, performance, or service condition. Therefore, an entity would not classify such an award as a liability if it otherwise qualifies as equity. The amendments in this update are effective for fiscal years beginning on or after December 15, 2010, which is the Company's 2011 fiscal year. The amendments in this update are applied by recording a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings. The cumulative-effect adjustment is calculated for all awards outstanding as of the beginning of the fiscal year in which the amendments are initially applied and is presented separately. The adoption of this amendment did not have a material impact on its

consolidated financial statements.

In December 2010, the FASB issued an amendment to ASC No. 350, Intangibles – Goodwill and Other, to clarify when to perform Step 2 of the goodwill impairment test for reporting units with zero or negative carrying amounts. Prior to this amendment, continuation to Step 2 was not required if the carrying amount of the reporting unit exceeded the fair value. However, in cases where the carrying amount was zero or negative, the fair value most likely was greater. This amendment requires that the evaluation must still continue to Step 2, given a fair value greater than the carrying amount, if it is more likely than not that a goodwill impairment exists. This amendment is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2010, which is the Company's 2011 fiscal year. The adoption of this amendment did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

(11) CONCENTRATIONS OF RISK

Significant Customers

Buffalo Wild Wings together with its franchisees is a significant customer of the Company. For the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, the Company generated approximately 21% and 18%, respectively, of total revenue from this national chain. As of March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, approximately \$84,000 and \$100,000, respectively, was included in accounts receivable from this customer.

Single Source Playmaker Supplier

The Company currently purchases its Playmakers from an unaffiliated Taiwanese manufacturer subject to the terms of a supply agreement dated April 23, 2007 with a term that automatically renews for one year periods. The Company currently does not have an alternative source for its playmaker devices. Management believes other manufacturers could be identified to produce the Playmakers on comparable terms. A change in manufacturers, however, could cause delays in supply and may have an adverse effect on the Company's operations. As of March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, approximately \$223,000 and \$127,000, respectively, were included in accounts payable or accrued expenses for this supplier.

(12) GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Geographic breakdown of the Company's revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010 is as follows:

| | Three months ended | | | | | |
|---------------|--------------------|-------|-----------|--|--|--|
| | March 31, | | | | | |
| | 2011 | | 2010 | | | |
| United States | \$ 5,456,00 | 00 \$ | 5,624,000 | | | |
| Canada | 545,000 |) | 647,000 | | | |
| Total revenue | \$ 6,001,00 | 00 \$ | 6,271,000 | | | |

Geographic breakdown of the Company's long-term tangible assets as of March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 is as follows:

| | March 31, | | De | cember 31, |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|----|------------|
| | | 2011 | | 2010 |
| United States | \$ | 3,535,000 | \$ | 3,529,000 |
| Canada | | 87,000 | | 109,000 |
| Total assets | \$ | 3,622,000 | \$ | 3,638,000 |

(13) REVERSE/FORWARD STOCK SPLIT

Subject to shareholder approval at the Company's 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, the Board of Directors has approved an amendment to the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation that would effect, first, a reverse stock split (the "Reverse Split") of the Company's common stock in the ratio of 1-for-100 and, then, immediately following the Reverse Split, a forward stock split (the "Forward Split") of the Company's common stock in the ratio of 10-for-1. Together, the Reverse Split and the Forward Split may be referred to as the "Reverse/Forward Split." The Board will have authority, if this proposal is approved, to give effect to the Reverse/Forward Split any time before

June 30, 2011 or, alternatively, to abandon the Reverse/Forward Split. No additional stockholder action would be required for the Company to give effect to the Reverse/Forward Split.

For those shareholders who hold fewer than 100 shares of the Company's common stock as of immediately prior to the Reverse Split, the shareholder will receive a cash payment equal to the average daily closing price per share of the common stock on the NYSE Amex for the five trading days immediately before and including the effective date of the Reverse/Forward Split, without interest.

The Board expects that the Reverse/Forward Split will result in an increase to the per share market price of the Company's common stock, reduce administrative costs associated with fewer shareholders and provide liquidity for shareholders with smaller ownership positions.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

CAUTION CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, including Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements reflect future events, results, performance, prospects and opportunities, including statements related to our strategic plans and targets, revenue generation, product availability and offerings, reduction in cash usage, reliance on cash on hand and cash from operations, capital needs, capital expenditures, industry trends and financial position of NTN Buzztime, Inc. and its subsidiaries. Forward-looking statements are based on information currently available to us and our current expectations, estimates, forecasts, and projections about the industries in which we operate and the beliefs and assumptions of management. Words such as "expects," "anticipates," "could," "targets," "projects," "intends," "plans," "t "seeks," "estimates," "may," "will," "would," variations of such words, and similar expressions are intended to identify su forward-looking statements. In addition, any statements which refer to projections of our future financial performance, our anticipated growth and trends in our businesses, and other characterizations of future events or circumstances, are forward-looking statements. Readers are cautioned that these forward-looking statements are only predictions and are subject to risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that may be difficult to predict. Therefore, actual results may differ materially and adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, those discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, under the section entitled "Risk Factors," and in Item 1A of Part II of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, and in other reports we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time. We undertake no obligation to revise or update publicly any forward-looking statement for any reason.

Our trademarks, trade names and service marks referenced herein include Buzztime, IWN, iTV Network, iSports, Playmakers and i-am TV. Each other trademark, trade name or service mark appearing in this quarterly report belongs to its owner.

OVERVIEW

We have been in the business of social interactive entertainment for over 25 years. Our primary source of revenue is our Buzztime Network, which focuses on the distribution of our interactive promotional television game network programming, primarily to almost 3,900 hospitality venues such as restaurants and bars throughout North America.

The out-of-home Buzztime Network has maintained a unique position in the hospitality industry for over 25 years as a promotional platform providing interactive entertainment to patrons in restaurants and bars (hospitality venues). Approximately 98% of our current consolidated revenues are derived from recurring service fees from hospitality venues (Network subscribers) that subscribe to our Buzztime Network.

The Buzztime Network distributes a wide variety of engaging interactive multi-player games, including trivia quiz shows, play-along sports programming and casino-style and casual games to our Network subscribers. Patrons use our wireless game controllers, or Playmakers, to play along with the Buzztime games which are displayed on television screens. In late 2009, we introduced a downloadable application available on the iPhone that enables patrons to use their iPhone in-venue instead of the Playmaker to play these Buzztime games. In early 2011, we introduced a downloadable application now available on the Android phones. Regardless of the device used to play, Buzztime players can compete with other players within their hospitality venue and also against players in other Network subscriber venues.

We target national and regional hospitality chains as well as local independent hospitality venues that desire a competitive point-of-difference to attract and retain customers. As of March 31, 2011, we had 3,630 United States Network subscribers and 258 Canadian subscribers. Approximately 31% of our Network subscribers come from leading national chains in the casual-dining restaurant segment such as Buffalo Wild Wings, Hooters, TGI Friday's and Old Chicago.

Through the transmission of interactive game content stored on a site server at each location, our Buzztime Network enables single-player and multi-player participation as part of local, regional, national or international competitions supported with prizes and player recognition. Our Buzztime Network also generates revenue through the sale of advertising and marketing services to companies seeking to reach the millions of consumers that visit the Buzztime Network's venues.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based on our condensed consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP). The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to deferred costs and revenues, depreciation of broadcast equipment, the provision for income taxes including the valuation allowance, stock-based compensation, bad debts, investments, purchase price allocations related to acquisitions, impairment of software development costs, goodwill, broadcast equipment, intangible assets and contingencies, including the reserve for sales tax inquiries. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. Critical accounting policies and estimates are defined as those that are both most important to the portrayal of the Company's financial condition and results and require management's most subjective judgments.

There have been no material changes in our critical accounting policies, estimates and judgments during the three months ended March 31, 2011 from those described in the "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" section of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2010

We generated a net loss of \$559,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to net loss of \$389,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2010.

Revenue

Revenue decreased \$270,000, or 4%, to \$6,001,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 from \$6,271,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2010 due to a decrease in subscription revenue related to lower site count and lower average revenue generated per site as well as a decrease in licensing revenue, offset by an increase in advertising revenue of \$37,000. Comparative site count information for Buzztime iTV Network is as follows:

| | Network Subscribers | | | | |
|---------------|---------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | as of March 31, | | | | |
| | 2011 | 2010 | | | |
| United States | 3,630 | 3,718 | | | |
| Canada | 258 | 323 | | | |
| Total | 3,888 | 4,041 | | | |

Direct Costs and Gross Margin

The following table compares the direct costs and gross margin for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010:

For the three months ended

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| | March 31, | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------|-----|----|--------|-----|
| | | 2011 | | | 2010 | |
| Revenues | \$ | 6,001,0 | 000 | \$ | 6,271, | 000 |
| Direct Costs | | 1,524,0 | 000 | | 1,540, | 000 |
| Gross Margin | \$ | 4,477,0 | 000 | \$ | 4,731, | 000 |
| | | | | | | |
| Gross Margin Percentage | | 75 | % | | 75 | % |

Gross margin as a percentage of revenue remained flat at 75% for the three months ended March 31, 2011 when compared to the same period in 2010. Direct costs decreased \$16,000, or 1%, from \$1,540,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2010 as compared to \$1,524,000 for the same period in 2011. The decrease in direct costs was primarily due to a decrease in service provider fees of \$95,000 due primarily to fewer service calls during the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. These decreases were offset by increased depreciation and amortization expense of \$40,000 resulting from increased equipment purchases, increased freight expense of \$21,000 due to higher fuel surcharges and an increase of \$18,000 in other miscellaneous expenses.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased \$86,000, or 2%, to \$4,832,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 from \$4,918,000 for the same period in 2010. The decrease in selling, general and administrative expenses was primarily due to reduced professional fees of \$136,000 due to decreased consulting and legal expense; lower bad debt expense of \$110,000 resulting from improved collection efforts; decreased travel expense of \$43,000; decreased sales and marketing expenses of \$29,000 and decreased miscellaneous expenses of \$64,000. These decreases were offset by increased payroll and related expense of \$296,000 due to severance expense as well as relocation expense for a new officer.

Depreciation and Amortization Expense

Depreciation and amortization expense (excluding depreciation and amortization included in direct operating costs) decreased \$7,000 to \$165,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 from \$172,000 for the same period in 2010 primarily due to fully amortizing certain assets in prior periods.

Other (Expense) Income, Net

Other (expense) income, net increased in expense by \$34,000 to \$28,000 of expense for the three months ended March 31, 2011 from \$6,000 of other income for the same period in 2010. The majority of this increase in expense is due to foreign currency exchange losses of \$9,000 related to transactions with our Canadian customers during the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to gain of \$23,000 for the same period in 2010.

Income Taxes

We expect to incur federal alternative minimum tax, or AMT, and minimum state income tax liability in 2011 related to our U.S. operations. We also expect to pay income taxes in Canada due to the profitability of NTN Canada. For the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, we recorded a net tax provision of \$11,000 and \$36,000, respectively. We have established a full valuation allowance for substantially all deferred tax assets, including our Net Operating Loss carryforwards, since we could not conclude that we were more likely than not able to generate future taxable income to realize these assets.

EBITDA

Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, or EBITDA, is not intended to represent a measure of performance in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Nor should EBITDA be considered as an alternative to statements of cash flows as a measure of liquidity. EBITDA is included herein because we believe it is a measure of operating performance that financial analysts, lenders, investors and other interested parties find to be a useful tool for analyzing companies like us that carry significant levels of non-cash depreciation and amortization charges in comparison to their GAAP earnings or loss.

The following table reconciles our consolidated net loss per GAAP to EBITDA:

| | For the three months ended March 31, | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|----|-----------|--|
| | | 2011 | | 2010 | |
| Net loss per GAAP | \$ | (559,000) | \$ | (389,000) | |
| Interest expense, net | | 16,000 | | 27,000 | |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 813,000 | | 780,000 | |
| Income taxes | | 11,000 | | 36,000 | |
| EBITDA | \$ | 281,000 | \$ | 454,000 | |

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

As of March 31, 2011, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$4,033,000 compared to cash and cash equivalents of \$3,906,000 as of December 31, 2010. We believe existing cash and cash equivalents, together with funds generated from operations, will be sufficient to meet our operating cash requirements for at least the next 12 months. We have no debt obligations other than capital leases. It is our intention to continue entering into capital lease facilities for certain equipment requirements when economically advantageous. In the event that net cash provided by operating activities and cash on hand are not sufficient to meet future cash requirements, we may be required to reduce planned capital expenses, reduce operational cash uses, sell assets or seek financing. Any actions we may undertake to reduce planned capital purchases, reduce expenses, or generate proceeds from the sale of assets may be insufficient to cover shortfalls in available funds. If we require additional capital, we may be unable to secure additional financing on terms that are acceptable to us, or at all.

Working Capital

As of March 31, 2011, we had working capital (current assets in excess of current liabilities) of \$1,279,000 compared to \$1,891,000 as of December 31, 2010. The following table shows our change in working capital from December 31, 2010 to March 31, 2011:

| | Increase |
|---|-------------|
| | (Decrease) |
| Working capital as of December 31, 2010 | \$1,891,000 |
| Changes in current assets: | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 127,000 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowance | (50,000) |
| Investment available-for-sale | (26,000) |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 236,000 |
| Total current assets | 287,000 |
| Changes in current liabilities: | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 538,000 |
| Accrued compensation | 415,000 |
| Sales taxes payable | (64,000) |
| Income taxes payable | (4,000) |
| Obligations under capital lease - current portion | (54,000) |
| Deferred revenue | 77,000 |
| Other current liabilities | (9,000) |
| Total current liabilities | 899,000 |

| Net change in working capital | (612,000) |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Working capital as of March 31, 2011 | \$1,279,000 |
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Cash Flows

Cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities, as reflected in the accompanying consolidated statements of cash flows, are summarized as follows:

| | For the three months ended | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|----|-----------|
| | March 31, | | |
| | 2011 | | 2010 |
| Cash provided by (used in): | | | |
| Operating activities | \$ 904,000 | \$ | 156,000 |
| Investing activities | (682,000) | | (651,000) |
| Financing activities | (96,000) | | (27,000) |
| Effect of exchange rates | 1,000 | | (10,000) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and | | | |
| cash equivalents | \$ 127,000 | \$ | (532,000) |

Net cash provided by operating activities. We are dependent on cash flows from operations to meet our cash requirements. Net cash generated from operating activities was \$904,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to net cash generated from operating activities of \$156,000 for the same period in 2010. The \$748,000 increase in cash provided by operations was primarily due to a decrease in net loss of \$209,000, after giving effect to adjustments made for non-cash transactions, and an increase of \$957,000 in cash provided by operating assets and liabilities during the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010.

Our largest use of cash is payroll and related costs. Cash used related to payroll decreased \$456,000 to \$1,847,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 from \$2,303,000 during the same period in 2010. This decrease was primarily the result of the payout of bonuses during the first quarter of 2010, which did not occur in the same period of 2011. Our primary source of cash is cash we generate from customers. Cash received from customers increased \$321,000 to \$6,299,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 from \$5,978,000 during the same period in 2010.

Net cash used in investing activities. We used \$682,000 in cash for investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to \$651,000 used in cash for investing activities during the same period in 2010. The \$31,000 increase in cash used in investing activities was primarily due to an increase in capital expenditures of \$180,000, offset by decreases of \$114,000 in cash used for software development initiatives and \$35,000 related to a trademark license.

Net cash used in financing activities. Net cash used in financing activities increased \$69,000 to \$96,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$27,000 for the same period in 2010. The increase in cash used in financing activities was due to a \$47,000 increase in principal payments on capital leases, offset by a \$22,000 increase in proceeds received from the exercise of stock options.

RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Refer to Note 10 of the condensed consolidated financial statements, "Recent Accounting Pronouncements."

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Under SEC rules and regulations, as a smaller reporting company we are not required to provide the information otherwise required by this item.

Item 4.

Controls and Procedures.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, our management evaluated our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e)) as to whether such disclosure controls and procedures were effective in providing reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms and ensuring that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Based on our evaluation, our chief executive officer and chief financial officer concluded that such disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this report.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting during our most recently completed fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II — OTHER INFORMATION

| Item 1. | Legal Proceedings. | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| None | | | | |
| Item 1A. | Risk Factors. | | | |
| An investment in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should consider carefully the risks and uncertainties described under Item 1A of Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 together with all other information contained or incorporated by reference in this report before you decide to invest in our common stock. If any of the risks described in our annual report occur, our business, financial condition, results of operations and our future growth prospects could be materially and adversely affected. Under these circumstances, the trading price of our common stock could decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment. As of the date of this report, we do not believe that there have been any material changes to the risk factors previously disclosed in our annual report other than the following: | | | | |
| Relocation of our central offic | ce could result in an interruption to our business. | | | |
| We plan on relocating our central office during the second quarter. If unforeseen circumstances occur during the relocation process, we may experience an interruption to our business including a delay in getting our call center operational, which could negatively impact customer satisfaction. | | | | |
| Item 2. | Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds. | | | |
| None | | | | |
| Item 3. | Defaults Upon Senior Securities. | | | |
| None | | | | |
| Item 4. | (Removed and Reserved). | | | |
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| Item 5. | Other Information. | | | |
| None | | | | |
| Item 6. | Exhibits. | | | |

| Exhibit 3.1 | Description Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended (2) |
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| 3.2 | Certificate of Designations, Rights and Preferences of Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (3) |
| 3.3 | Bylaws of the Company, as amended (4) |
| 10.1* | Employment offer letter, dated February 28, 2011, by and between the Company and Peter Tony Duckett (1) |
| 10.2* | Amendment One to the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated March 21, 2011, by and between the Company and Michael Bush (1) |
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| 10.3* | NTN Buzztime, Inc. Corporate Incentive Plan for Eligible Employees of NTN Buzztime, Inc. Fiscal Year 2011 (1) |
|-------|---|
| 31.1 | Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (1) |
| 31.2 | Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (1) |
| 32.1# | Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (1) |
| 32.2# | Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (1) |

- * Management Contract or Compensatory Plan
- # These exhibits are being furnished solely to accompany this report pursuant to U.S.C. § 1350, and is not being filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and is not to be incorporated herein by reference into any filing of the Company whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.
- (1) Filed herewith
- (2) Previously filed as an exhibit to the registrant's report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference.
- (3) Previously filed as an exhibit to the registrant's report on Form 8-K filed on November 7, 1997 and incorporated herein by reference.
- (4) Previously filed as an exhibit to the registrant's report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

NTN BUZZTIME, INC.

Date: May 13, 2011 By: /s/ Kendra Berger

Kendra Berger

Chief Financial Officer

(on behalf of the Registrant, and as its Principal

Financial and Accounting Officer)