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GDS Holdings Limited

萬國數據控股有限公司*

(A company controlled through weighted voting rights and incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability under the name GDS Holdings Limited and carrying on business in Hong Kong as GDS WanGuo Holdings Limited)

(Stock Code: 9698)

OVERSEAS REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENT

We are making this announcement pursuant to Rule 13.10B of the Hong Kong Listing Rules.

We furnished a current report on Form 6-K with a press release in respect of releasing the Company’s Environmental, Social and Governance report (“**Form 6-K**”) to the Securities and Exchange Commission of the United States. For details, please refer to the attached Form 6-K.

By order of the Board
GDS Holdings Limited **
Mr. William Wei Huang
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, December 1, 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises Mr. William Wei Huang as the chairman, Mr. Sio Tat Hiang as the vice-chairman, Mr. Satoshi Okada, Mr. Bruno Lopez, Mr. Lee Choong Kwong, and Mr. Gary J. Wojtaszek as directors, and Mr. Lim Ah Doo, Ms. Bin Yu, Mr. Zulkifli Baharudin, Mr. Chang Sun and Ms. Judy Qing Ye as independent directors.

* *For identification purposes only*

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

December 2022

Commission File Number: 001-37925

GDS Holdings Limited

(Registrant's name)

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People's Republic of China

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

Form 20-F Form 40-F

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EXHIBITS

99.1 [Press release – GDS Releases 2021 ESG Report](#)

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.

GDS Holdings Limited

Date: December 1, 2022

By: /s/ William Wei Huang

Name: William Wei Huang

Title: Chief Executive Officer

GDS Releases 2021 ESG Report

SHANGHAI, China, December 1, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- GDS Holdings Limited (“GDS Holdings”, “GDS” or the “Company”) (NASDAQ: GDS; HKEX: 9698), a leading developer and operator of high-performance data centers in China, today announced the release of its second annual Environmental, Social and Governance (“ESG”) report, detailing the Company’s ongoing sustainability efforts and its ESG performance.

As a key highlight, the Company is pleased to report that its renewable-energy usage reached 34.3% in 2021 vs. 22.6% in 2020. As a result, its carbon intensity has been further reduced to 5.60 tCO₂e/m² in 2021.

“As an industry pioneer in carbon emission reduction, sustainable business practices are central to how we operate,” said Mr. William Huang, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. “We believe we are well positioned to reach carbon neutrality by 2030 through our disciplined environmental stewardship, robust social responsibility, and effective corporate governance structure. I am proud of our commitment and team for actively driving our diverse ESG initiatives forward, positively impacting every aspect of the Company and contributing to the industry as a whole.”

To view the report in full, please visit the ESG section on the GDS corporate website or access the report at: <https://www.gds-services.com/esg2021/docs/GDS-2021-ESG-Report.pdf>

About GDS Holdings Limited

GDS Holdings Limited (NASDAQ: GDS; HKEX: 9698) is a leading developer and operator of high-performance data centers in China. The Company’s facilities are strategically located in China’s primary economic hubs where demand for high-performance data center services is concentrated. The Company also builds, operates and transfers data centers at other locations selected by its customers in order to fulfill their broader requirements. The Company’s data centers have large net floor area, high power capacity, density and efficiency, and multiple redundancies across all critical systems. GDS is carrier and cloud-neutral, which enables its customers to access all the major PRC telecommunications networks, as well as the largest PRC and global public clouds which are hosted in many of its facilities. The Company offers co-location and a suite of value-added services, including managed hybrid cloud services through direct private connection to leading public clouds, managed network services, and, where required, the resale of public cloud services. The Company has a 21-year track record of service delivery, successfully fulfilling the requirements of some of the largest and most demanding customers for outsourced data center services in China. The Company’s customer base consists predominantly of hyperscale cloud service providers, large internet companies, financial institutions, telecommunications carriers, IT service providers, and large domestic private sector and multinational corporations.

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