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QC Holdings, Inc. Reports Stock Repurchase

OVERLAND PARK, KS (January 13, 2022) – QC Holdings, Inc. (OTC PINK: QCCO) reported that is has repurchased approximately 750,000 of its common shares in a privately negotiated transaction with an institutional investor at a slight premium to recent market price levels.

About QC Holdings, Inc.

Headquartered in Lenexa, Kansas, QC Holdings, Inc. is a leading provider of consumer loans in the United States and Canada. In the United States, QC offers various products, including installment, open-end credit, single-pay and title loans, check cashing, debit cards and money transfer services, through 205 branches in 11 states, and via the internet in 10 states, as of December 31, 2021. In Canada, the Company, through its subsidiaries Amaranth Financial Services Inc. and Direct Credit Holdings Inc., is engaged in short-term consumer lending through 20 branches in four provinces and online across the country.

Forward Looking Statement Disclaimer: This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are based on the Company's current expectations and are subject to many risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those forward-looking statements. These risks include (1) the continuing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on consumers, the overall economy and the Company, (2) changes in laws or regulations or governmental interpretations of existing laws and regulations governing consumer protection or short-term lending practices, (3) uncertainties relating to the interpretation, application and promulgation of regulations under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, including the impact of announced regulations by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB), (4) ballot referendum initiatives by industry opponents to cap the rates and fees that can be charged to customers, (5) uncertainties related to the examination process by the CFPB and indirect rulemaking through the examination process, (6) the impact of the 2020 U.S. Presidential election on agency appointments, including the CFPB, and the attitudes of

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those appointees regarding regulation and enforcement actions, (7) litigation or regulatory action directed towards us or the short-term consumer loan industry, (8) volatility in our earnings, primarily as a result of fluctuations in loan loss experience and closures of branches, (9) risks associated with our dependence on cash management banking services and the Automated Clearing House for loan collections, (10) negative media reports and public perception of the short-term consumer loan industry and the impact on federal and state legislatures and federal and state regulators, (11) changes in our key management personnel, (12) risks associated with owning and managing non-U.S. businesses, and (13) other various risks. QC will not update any forward-looking statements made in this press release to reflect future events or developments.