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Photo Release -- Windstream Names Jeffery Howe Executive Vice President of Enterprise Sales

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 13, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Windstream (Nasdaq:WIN) today announced the appointment of Jeffery Howe as Executive Vice President of Enterprise Sales. Howe succeeds John Leach who is leaving the company to pursue other career opportunities. The change was effective May 5.

A photo accompanying this release is available at <http://www.globenewswire.com/newsroom/prs/?pkgid=32917>

"I am confident that Jeff will do a fantastic job leading our Enterprise sales organization," said David Works, President of Business Enterprise. "Jeff is a strong people and organization leader. He has a proven sales leadership track record and a deep understanding of our industry. Jeff will be an insightful voice as we chart our path going forward and I look forward to him joining the Enterprise leadership team."

Jeff, who joined Windstream in 2007, most recently served as president of the East Region and Central Sales Regions. He also was responsible for the company's overall channel strategy, national accounts as well as federal government sales and support.

Prior to joining Windstream, Jeff held leadership roles at One Communications, Veremark Technologies, Level 3 and Motorola. He holds a degree in business administration from the University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire.

About Windstream

Windstream, a FORTUNE 500 company, is a leading provider of advanced network communications and technology solutions, including cloud computing and managed services, to businesses nationwide. The company also offers broadband, phone and digital TV services to consumers primarily in rural areas. For more information, visit the company's online newsroom at news.windstream.com or follow on Twitter at [@WindstreamNews](https://twitter.com/WindstreamNews).

The photo is also available via AP PhotoExpress.

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