

Windstream Introduces Even Faster Internet Speeds for Small Business Customers

Business Customers Can Now Realize Benefits of Increased Bandwidth With Upload Speeds up to 4 Mbps and Download Speeds up to 24 Mbps

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Aug. 25, 2011 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Windstream Corp. (Nasdaq:WIN) is now offering even faster Internet speeds for small and medium business customers.

Customers can now get Internet speeds of 10 Mbps down/2 Mbps up, 24 Mbps down/2 Mbps up and 24 Mbps down/4 Mbps up. These additional speed tiers give Windstream business customers expanded upload and download speeds, which are critical for businesses to increase productivity and manage large data files.

Faster Internet speeds from Windstream can help businesses:

- · Reduce download times by half
- Use voice and video conferencing
- Easily upload data to online backup solutions
- · Support servers if you host your own website

These new speed offerings will only be available in select markets in Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and Texas.

To see even greater savings on these new speeds, Windstream business customers can select a <u>Business Bundle</u>, which includes high-speed Internet and business lines with unlimited nationwide calling and critical services like online backup, Internet security, TechHelp and PC Protect. Plus, Business Bundle customers will benefit from a <u>Peace of Mind Guarantee</u>, which locks Windstream's lowest price for two years.

"Windstream is now offering business customers higher download speeds, and more importantly higher upload speeds to help companies work more efficiently," said Don Perkins, Windstream vice president of business marketing. "With even faster Internet speeds, business customers are getting reliable business-class service with incredible value."

Windstream offers a variety of voice, data and managed services, and offers broadband speeds of up to 1 Gbps to enterprise customers. Windstream provides customers U.S.-based, 24/7 professional support and offers <u>TechHelp</u> for set-up and repair of computers and other digital devices. For more information about Windstream's advanced communication solutions visit <u>www.windstreambusiness.com</u>.

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About Windstream

Windstream Corp., headquartered in Little Rock, Ark., is an S&P 500 communications and technology solutions provider with operations in 29 states and the District of Columbia and about \$4 billion in annual revenues. Windstream provides IP-based voice and data services, MPLS networking, data center and managed hosting services and communication systems to businesses and government agencies. The company also delivers broadband, digital phone and high-definition TV services to residential customers primarily located in rural areas and operates a local and long-haul fiber network spanning approximately 60,000 route miles. For more information about Windstream, visit www.windstreambusiness.com.

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