



Windstream Partners With South Carolina Chambers of Commerce to Offer Special Discounted Pricing for Businesses

Affinity Program Offers Exclusive Rates on Advanced Communication Services

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Sept. 30, 2010 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Windstream (Nasdaq:WIN) announced today new partnerships with four South Carolina chambers of commerce to offer members special discounted rates on business-class data, voice and networking services plus communication equipment.

Chambers of commerce in Greenville, Spartanburg, Columbia and Charleston, S.C. have selected Windstream as their preferred communications provider for voice, data, networking and phone systems. Through the partnerships, Windstream offers chamber member businesses discounted pricing and added savings on critical data, voice and networking services, plus customized solutions and on-site consultation.

"With Windstream service, businesses across South Carolina can operate more efficiently and cost effectively," said Dwayne Drake, Windstream Regional Vice President of Direct Sales. "Customers are our number one priority and Windstream is committed to delivering reliable service and support to our customers."

Windstream offers local sales and dedicated account management teams, network management by industry-certified professionals and a single point of contact for customer service and support.

Windstream can serve small to enterprise businesses and has industry expertise in areas including finance, healthcare, retail, education, government and more. The company offers advanced data and network services, including high-speed dedicated Internet, Ethernet Internet with speeds up to 1 Gbps, managed security and networking solutions.

"Windstream is a superior communications provider that offers best-in-class service for its customers," said Janet Newham, Senior Vice President of Resource Development at the Charleston Chamber of Commerce. "We are committed to helping our members take advantage of programs that will allow them to increase reliability of their critical communication services, lower operating expenses and optimize their networks for long term success in an ever-changing economy."

For more information about Windstream's advanced technology and data services, visit www.windstreambusiness.com.

About Windstream

Windstream Corp. (Nasdaq:WIN), headquartered in Little Rock, Ark., is an S&P 500 company with communications operations in 23 states and about \$4 billion in annual revenues. Windstream provides phone, high-speed Internet and high-definition digital TV services. The company also offers a wide range of IP-based voice and data services and advanced phone systems and equipment to businesses and government agencies. For more information about Windstream, visit www.windstream.com.

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