

Windstream expands unified communications services to nearly 100 additional markets

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 9, 2010 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Windstream (Nasdaq: WIN) announces the expansion of its unified communications services to nearly 100 new cities within Windstream's service area. Windstream's IP solutions combine voice, data and Internet services over the same connection. This allows businesses to save money when compared to separate network connections for phone and Internet services.

Windstream is expanding its VoIP and Data services to additional cities in North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Texas, Ohio, Nebraska, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Georgia and Kentucky.

Windstream's VoIP and Data Bundle provides the highest quality voice clarity, high-speed Internet with the same upload and download speeds, and several features such as Click to Dial, Find Me-Follow Me and more. Windstream's best-in-class Voice over IP (VoIP) technology maximizes bandwidth capacity to boost Internet speeds during lower phone use periods. The Windstream VoIP and Data bundle works with businesses' existing equipment to offer dramatic savings over traditional communication systems.

Windstream also offers a Hosted VoIP and Data bundle, which is a complete communications system that is fully installed, maintained and updated by Windstream. Hosted VoIP and Data offers a single communications platform that delivers voice and data over a dedicated bandwidth. The fully-managed turnkey business solution requires no upfront capital expense or additional maintenance costs.

"As with all of our next-generation data products, Windstream develops advanced business solutions that improve customer efficiency and allow companies to focus on their core businesses," said Don Perkins, vice president of business marketing. "We're excited to be offering businesses a fully-managed service that allows tremendous flexibility."

Windstream's VoIP and Data bundles deliver affordable local voice, long-distance and Internet access, all over Windstream's reliable state-of-the-art IP network. Customers will benefit from increased productivity, easy communications management, and the flexibility businesses need. Plus customers have a single point of contact for service.

For more information about Windstream's converged communication solutions, or any of Windstream's next-generation data services, visit www.windstreambusiness.com.

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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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