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## Windstream names Christopher King vice president of investor relations

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 30, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Windstream (NASDAQ:WIN), a leading provider of advanced network communications and technology solutions, today announced that it has named Christopher King as vice president of investor relations.

A photo accompanying this announcement is available at <http://www.globenewswire.com/NewsRoom/AttachmentNg/3db4b9fe-8fd2-4107-8669-f4998c40f098>.

King was a senior equity research analyst for telecom and cable services at Legg Mason and Stifel Nicolaus and covered Windstream and several of its predecessor and acquired companies, along with numerous other companies in the telecom space.

He most recently served as vice president of financial planning and analysis for Curo Health Services, Inc., a private-equity owned healthcare company.

At Windstream, he will manage the company's interactions with the investment community, including institutional and individual stockholders and fixed-income investors.

"Chris was a well-respected telecom equity analyst for 13 years and earned multiple awards for his objective research coverage. His deep understanding of the industry and capital markets uniquely suit him to lead our IR efforts and effectively communicate how Windstream's strategy is creating value for shareholders. We are delighted to welcome him to our team," said Christie Grumbos, senior vice president and treasurer at Windstream.

"I am excited to join the Windstream team," King said. "I have long had a great deal of respect for the company, its assets and its strong management team, and I look forward to helping the company continue to drive value for all of Windstream's stakeholders."

King holds a bachelor's degree in politics and economics from Wake Forest University and a master's degree in business administration with a concentration in finance from the University of Maryland.

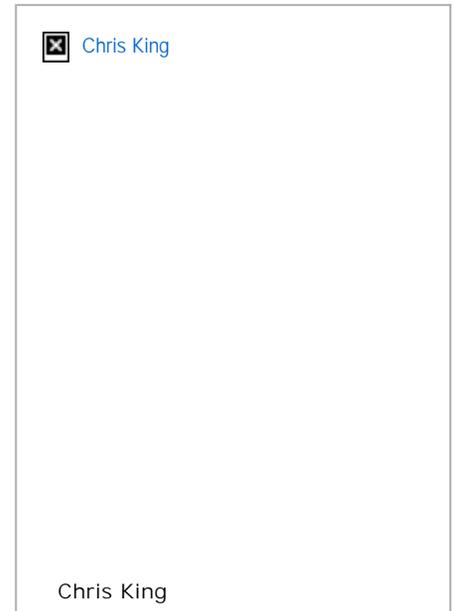
### About Windstream

Windstream Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ:WIN), a FORTUNE 500 company, is a leading provider of advanced network communications and technology solutions for consumers, businesses, enterprise organizations and wholesale customers across the U.S. Windstream offers bundled services, including broadband, security solutions, voice and digital TV to consumers. The company also provides data, cloud solutions, unified communications and managed services to business and enterprise clients. The company supplies core transport solutions on a local and long-haul fiber network spanning approximately 147,000 miles. Additional information is available at [windstream.com](http://windstream.com). Please visit our newsroom at [news.windstream.com](http://news.windstream.com) or follow us on Twitter at [@Windstream](https://twitter.com/Windstream).

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