WINDSTREAM HOLDINGS, INC.

Form 8-K

September 12, 2016

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 12, 2016

Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter

State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization

Windstream Holdings, Inc.

State or other jurisdiction of File Number incorporation or organization

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Windstream Holdings, Inc. Delaware 001-32422 46-2847717 Windstream Services, LLC Delaware 001-36093 20-0792300

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Rodney

Parham

Road

Little

Rock, 72212

Arkansas

(Address

of

principal (Zip Code)

executive

offices)

(501) 748-7000

(Registrants'

telephone number,

including area

code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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oPre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 12, 2016, Windstream Holdings, Inc. (Nasdaq: WIN) announced that its direct, wholly-owned subsidiary, Windstream Services, LLC (Windstream), is seeking to amend its existing senior secured credit agreement. Among other things, the amendment would (i) refinance in full Windstream's outstanding tranche B-6 term loans, (ii) raise \$100 million in incremental term loans to redeem all or a portion of the Borrower's outstanding 7.875% notes due 2017 and for other general corporate purposes, including to refinance in full or in part any other series of outstanding notes of Windstream or of its subsidiaries and to pay related fees and expenses and (iii) modify certain other definitions and provisions, in each case, subject to market and customary conditions. Consummation of the amendment is subject to numerous factors, including reaching agreement with our lenders and market conditions, and there can be no assurance that we will successfully enter into the amendment to our senior secured credit agreement on the terms described herein or at all.

### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WINDSTREAM HOLDINGS, WINDSTREAM SERVICES,

INC. LLC

By: /s/ Kristi Moody
Name: Kristi Moody
Name: Kristi Moody

Senior Vice President and Title: Senior Vice President and

Corporate Secretary Corporate Secretary

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