WINDSTREAM HOLDINGS, INC.

Form 8-K February 17, 2017

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): February 17, 2017

| Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter | State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization | Commission File Number | I.R.S. Employer Identification No. |
|--|--|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Windstream Holdings, Inc. | Delaware | 001-32422 | 46-2847717 |
| Windstream Services, LLC | Delaware | 001-36093 | 20-0792300 |

4001 Rodney Parham Road Little Rock,

72212

Arkansas (Address

of (Zip principal 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:

oWritten communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

oPre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) oPre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Windstream Holdings, Inc. (Nasdaq: WIN) today announced that its direct, wholly-owned subsidiary, Windstream Services, LLC (Windstream), has amended its existing senior secured credit agreement. Among other things, the amendment (i) refinanced in full Windstream's outstanding tranche B-5 term loans due in 2019 with tranche B-7 term loans due in 2024 and (ii) modified certain other definitions and provisions, in each case, subject to market and customary conditions.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed with this report: Exhibit No. Description

99 Press Release dated February 17, 2017

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, thereunto duly authorized.

WINDSTREAM HOLDINGS, INC. WINDSTREAM SERVICES, LLC

By: /s/ Kristi M. Moody
Name: Kristi M. Moody
Name: Kristi M. Moody

Title: Senior Vice President and Corporate Secretary Title: Senior Vice President and Corporate

Secretary

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