WINDSTREAM HOLDINGS, INC. Form 8-K March 01, 2019

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): March 1, 2019 (February 25, 2019)

Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter			Commission File Number	I.K.S. Employer Identification No.
Windstream Holdings, Inc. Windstream Services, LLC			001-32422 001-36093	46-2847717 20-0792300
4001 Rodney Parham Road Little				
Rock, Arkansas (Address of principal executive offices)	72212			
	(Zip Code)			
(501) 748-7000 (Registrants' telephone number, including area code)				
N/A (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)				

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:

o Written 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)

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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)) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

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Item 3.01 Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing. As previously reported, on February 25, 2019, Windstream Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") and all of its subsidiaries, including Windstream Services, LLC (collectively, "Windstream"), filed voluntary petitions (the "Chapter 11 Cases") for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York.

On February 25, 2019, the Company received a letter from the listing qualifications department staff of the Nasdaq Stock Market ("Nasdaq") notifying the Company that, as a result of the Chapter 11 Cases and in accordance with Nasdaq Listing Rules 5101, 5110(b) and IM-5101-1, Nasdaq has determined that the Company's common stock will be delisted from Nasdaq. Accordingly, unless the Company requests an appeal of this determination, trading of the common stock will be suspended at the opening of business on March 6, 2019 and a Form 25-NSE will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), which will remove the Company's common stock from listing and registration on Nasdaq.

The Company does not intend to appeal the determination and, therefore, it is expected that the common stock will be delisted. The Company expects that the trading of its common stock on the OTC Bulletin Board or "pink sheets" market will commence on March 6, 2019 under the symbol "WINQ". The transition does not affect Windstream's operations and does not change reporting requirements under SEC rules.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

WINDSTREAM HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Kristi M. Moody Name: Kristi M. Moody Title: Senior Vice President - General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

WINDSTREAM SERVICES, LLC

By: /s/ Kristi M. Moody Name: Kristi M. Moody Title: Senior Vice President - General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Dated: March 1, 2019