

## Windstream Now Offers Highly Secure Private Data Networking Solution Nationwide

*Expanded Virtual Private Network footprint will deliver next-generation data services to businesses throughout the continental United States*

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. - Windstream Corp. (NYSE: WIN) announces the nationwide expansion of its Virtual Private Network (VPN) service, available now throughout the continental United States. Designed to connect multiple business locations with a highly secure, cost effective data network, Windstream's VPN service allows customers to partner with a single data provider to receive consistent performance for business-critical applications.

Customers can now deploy advanced applications between their numerous business locations, including VoIP, distance learning, digital medical imaging and more, all via Windstream's nationwide network.

"Our customers asked for a networking solution that will drive down both cost and complexity", said Don Perkins, vice president of business marketing. "With this nationwide expansion, Windstream will now deliver a seamless, secure IP networking solution to our customers anywhere they do business in the United States."

Customers who can benefit from Windstream VPN services include financial institutions with remote data center operations, regional health care providers with remote hospitals and clinics or manufacturers with distributed inventory supply chains and fabrication facilities.

For more information regarding Windstream VPN services, go to [www.windstream.com/business](http://www.windstream.com/business).

### **About Windstream**

Windstream Corporation is an S&P 500 company that provides phone, high-speed Internet and high-definition digital TV services to customers in 16 states. 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. The company has approximately 3 million access lines and about \$3.1 billion in annual revenues. Windstream is ranked 4th in the 2009 BusinessWeek 50 ranking of the best performing U.S. companies. For more information about Windstream, visit [www.windstream.com](http://www.windstream.com).