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Ms. Ann Cole
Office of Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Petition of Windstream Florida, Inc. to Terminate Service Guarantee Plan

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed please find an original and 15 copies of Windstream's Petition to Terminate Service Guarantee Plan.

Please acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by stamping the duplicate of this letter and returning the same to this writer.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely

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JJW/jh Enclosure

CC:

Charles J. Beck J. R. Kelly

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re:	Petition	of Wir	dstream	Florida,	Inc.
То Те	rminate	Service	Guarant	tee Plan.	

DOCKET NO. 100039 Date: January 20, 2010

PETITION TO TERMINATE SERVICE GUARANTEE PLAN

Pursuant to Rules 28-106.201 and 25-4.085, Florida Administrative Code, Windstream Florida, Inc. ("Windstream") petitions the Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC" or "Commission") for an order terminating its Service Guarantee Plan and authorizing the company to proceed under applicable FPSC rules, and states:

- 1. Windstream is an Incumbent Local Exchange Company ("ILEC") lawfully doing business in the State of Florida whose regulated operations are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission pursuant to Chapter 364, Florida Statutes.
- 2. The name of the Petitioner is Windstream and its principal place of business is 206 White Avenue S.E., Live Oak, FL 32060-0343.
- 3. All pleadings, notices and other documents filed in this proceeding should be served on Windstream's representatives as follows:

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4. The agency affected by this Petition is the Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850.

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Discussion

5. FPSC Rule 25-4.085, F.A.C. addresses service guarantee programs, and states:

A company may petition the commission for approval of a Service Guarantee Program, which would relieve the company from the rule requirement of each service standard addressed in the approved Service Guarantee Program. When evaluating a Service Guarantee Program for approval, the Commission will consider the Program's benefits to the customers and whether the Program is in the public interest. The Commission shall have the right to enforce the provisions of the Service Guarantee Program.

- 6. The Commission approved a Service Guarantee Plan for Windstream in conjunction with a change of control by Order No. PSC-06-045-PAA-TP, issued May 19, 2006, in Docket No. 050938-TP. The terms of the Windstream service guarantee plan were listed on Attachment B of Order No. 06-0425 and are attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 7. Windstream has operated under its Service Guarantee Plan and the Commission's rules for more than three years.
- 8. The Florida Legislature amended portions of Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, during the 2009 session and the FPSC amended certain rules governing telecommunications companies like Windstream in October 2009. Windstream believes that its SGP and the FPSC's rules are duplicative and that operating under the FPSC's rules will adequately protect Windstream's customers.

WHEREFORE, Windstream Florida, Inc. respectfully requests that the FPSC enter an order terminating its Service Guarantee Plan so that Windstream can proceed under applicable FPSC rules alone.

DATED this 20th day of January, 2010.

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WINDSTREAM FLORIDA, INC.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via U.S.

Mail (or Hand Delivery*) this 20th day of January, 2010 to the following:

Charles J. Beck/J. R. Kelly* Office of Public Counsel c/o The Florida Legislature 111 W. Madison Street Room 812 Tallahassee, FL 32399-1400

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ATTACHMENT B

Windstream Service Guarantee Program

Repair of Out of Service Troubles as Reported by Customer

Windstream shall make automatic credits in the amounts specified below for out of service troubles as reported by the customer:

Duration

24 to 48 hours \$ 12 > 2 days to 5 days \$ 16 > 5 days \$ 40

Sundays or holidays are not covered by the SGP and will be calculated and credited to customers consistent with Rule 25-4.110(6), F.A.C.

Customer Installations

Windstream shall make an automatic credit to the customer in the amount of \$25 for failure to install service on the agreed upon commitment date. Negotiated commitment dates shall not exceed 5 business days. Windstream shall continue to meet Rule 25-4.066, F.A.C.

Answer Time

Windstream shall establish a Community Service Fund (CSF) in the form of a corporate undertaking. Pursuant to the Service Guarantee Program, Windstream shall make credits to the CSF and such funds shall be disposed of in coordination with the Commission staff to promote Windstream's Lifeline service.

90% of all calls to the business and repair offices shall be answered by a live attendant prepared to give immediate assistance within 55 seconds of being transferred to the attendant. Windstream shall maintain 100% accessibility.

The amount of CSF credits shall be determined in accordance with the following parameters:

Less than 90%, but greater or equal to 80% - \$2,000
Less than 80%, but greater or equal to 70% - \$5,000
Less than 70% - \$7,000

Force Majeure

In the event of named tropical or hurricane storms, Windstream may invoke Force Majeure by contacting the Director of the Division of Competitive Markets & Enforcement. Windstream shall at that time be relieved of the requirements of this SGP until Force Majeure is canceled.