

Windstream Corporation has entered into various transactions over the last two years that may cause results reported under GAAP to be not necessarily indicative of future results. On July 17, 2006, Windstream Corporation was formed through the spin off of Alltel Corporation's ("Alltel") wireline telecommunications business to its shareholders, and the subsequent merger of that wireline business with Valor Communications Group, Inc. ("Valor"). On August 31, 2007, Windstream completed the acquisition of CT Communications, Inc. ("CTC"). Subsequently, the Company reached a definitive purchase agreement dated August 7, 2008, for the sale of its wireless business acquired from CTC. Upon consummation, we will have no significant continuing involvement in the operations or cash flows of the wireless business, and have reported the related results as discontinued operations, accordingly. In the third quarter of 2008, the Company recognized a non-cash impairment charge of \$6.5 million to reduce the carrying value of certain wireless spectrum licenses designated as held for sale, and not used in operations, to their fair market value. The fair market value of these holdings has been reduced to a nominal amount due to an impairment resulting from general market conditions and limited interest on this bandwidth of spectrum. On November 30, 2007, Windstream completed the split off of its directory publishing business to Welsh, Carson, Anderson, and Stowe ("WCAS"), a private equity investment firm and Windstream shareholder. As disclosed in the Windstream Form 8-K filed on November 7, 2008, the Company has presented in this earnings release unaudited pro forma results from current businesses, which include results from Valor and CTC for periods prior to their acquisitions and excludes (1) results from the directory publishing business, (2) results from the CTC wireless operations, (3) the impact of discontinuing SFAS No. 71, "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation," (4) all merger and integration costs resulting from the transactions discussed above, and (5) \$6.5 million non-cash impairment charge for assets held for sale.

Windstream's purpose for including the results of the acquired businesses and for excluding non-recurring items, and the results of the directory publishing and wireless businesses, is to improve the comparability of results of operations for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2008, to the results of operations for the same periods of 2007 and 2006. Windstream's purpose for these adjustments is to focus on the true earnings capacity associated with providing telecommunication services. Management believes the items either included or excluded from pro forma results from current businesses are related to strategic activities or other events, specific to the time and opportunity available, and should be treated accordingly when evaluating the Company's operations. In the second quarter of 2007, the Company revised its presentation of historical pro forma results includes severance expenses, as these expenses had been excluded in prior quarters, but should not necessarily be viewed as non-recurring. Management believes that presenting current business measures assists investors by providing more meaningful comparisons of results from current and prior periods, and by providing information that is a better reflection of the core earnings capacity of the businesses. The Company uses pro forma results from current businesses, including pro forma revenues and sales and pro forma OIBDA from current businesses, as a key measure of the operational performance of its business segments. Windstream management, including the chief operating decision-maker, uses these measures consistently for all purposes including: internal reporting, the evaluation of business objectives, opportunities and performance, and the determination of management compensation.

Windstream claims the protection of the safe-harbor for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements, including statements regarding the sale of its wireless properties, are subject to uncertainties that could cause actual future events and results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on estimates, projections, beliefs and assumptions that Windstream believes are reasonable but are not guarantees of future events and results. Actual future events and results of Windstream may differ materially from those expressed in these forward-looking statements as a result of a number of important factors. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated above include, among others: adverse changes in economic conditions in the markets served by Windstream; the extent, timing and overall effects of competition in the communications business; continued access line loss; the impact of new, emerging or competing technologies; the adoption of inter-carrier compensation and/or universal service reforms by the Federal Communications Commission or Congress that results in a significant loss of revenue to Windstream; the risks associated with the integration of acquired businesses or the ability to realize anticipated synergies, cost savings and growth opportunities; the availability and cost of financing in the corporate debt markets; the potential for adverse changes in the ratings given to Windstream's debt securities by nationally accredited ratings organizations; the effects of federal and state legislation, rules and regulations governing the communications industry; material changes in the communications industry generally that could adversely affect vendor relationships with equipment and network suppliers and customer relationships with wholesale customers; unexpected results of litigation; unexpected rulings by state public service commissions in proceedings regarding universal service funds, intercarrier compensation or other matters that could reduce revenues or increase expenses; the effects of work stoppages; the impact of equipment failure, natural disasters or terrorist acts; the ability to execute the company's share repurchase program or the ability to achieve the desired accretive effect from such repurchases; and those additional factors under the caption "Risk Factors" in Windstream's Form 10-K for the year ended Dec. 31, 2007. In addition to these factors, actual future performance, outcomes and results may differ materially because of more general factors including, among others, general industry and market conditions and growth rates, economic conditions, and governmental and public policy changes. Windstream undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. The foregoing review of factors that could cause Windstream's actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in the forward-looking statements should be considered in connection with information regarding risks and uncertainties that may affect Windstream's future results included in Windstream's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

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 for the quarterly periods in the years 2008, 2007 and 2006  
 (In millions)

	2008				2007					2006				
	Total	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.	Total	4th Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.	Total	4th Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.
<b>Wireline</b>														
Revenues and sales:														
Service revenues	\$ 2,292.6	\$ 755.2	\$ 765.0	\$ 772.4	\$ 3,095.7	\$ 765.8	\$ 781.0	\$ 783.6	\$ 765.3	\$ 3,061.6	\$ 779.0	\$ 762.6	\$ 759.2	\$ 760.8
Product sales	54.0	19.6	18.9	15.5	63.6	15.6	17.6	16.3	14.1	50.0	14.4	12.6	12.0	11.0
Total revenues and sales	<u>2,346.6</u>	<u>774.8</u>	<u>783.9</u>	<u>787.9</u>	<u>3,159.3</u>	<u>781.4</u>	<u>798.6</u>	<u>799.9</u>	<u>779.4</u>	<u>3,111.6</u>	<u>793.4</u>	<u>775.2</u>	<u>771.2</u>	<u>771.8</u>
Costs and expenses:														
Cost of services	781.1	263.1	256.9	261.1	1,055.0	262.8	263.6	271.6	257.0	1,010.3	252.2	262.4	246.3	249.4
Cost of products sold	53.3	20.9	18.3	14.1	52.9	13.7	15.5	11.5	12.2	38.6	12.4	8.4	9.6	8.2
Selling, general, administrative and other	272.3	89.1	91.1	92.1	397.0	91.1	101.0	102.0	102.9	419.3	107.2	98.6	110.1	103.4
Restructuring charges	2.1	1.0	0.6	0.5	4.5	1.1	0.3	-	3.1	10.5	10.5	-	-	-
Total cash expenses	1,108.8	374.1	366.9	367.8	1,509.4	368.7	380.4	385.1	375.2	1,478.7	382.3	369.4	366.0	361.0
Wireline OIBDA (B)	1,237.8	400.7	417.0	420.1	1,649.9	412.7	418.2	414.8	404.2	1,632.9	411.1	405.8	405.2	410.8
Depreciation and amortization	368.3	123.7	123.1	121.5	529.4	121.3	138.1	136.3	133.7	551.1	132.1	138.9	138.6	141.5
Segment income	<u>\$ 869.5</u>	<u>\$ 277.0</u>	<u>\$ 293.9</u>	<u>\$ 298.6</u>	<u>\$ 1,120.5</u>	<u>\$ 291.4</u>	<u>\$ 280.1</u>	<u>\$ 278.5</u>	<u>\$ 270.5</u>	<u>\$ 1,081.8</u>	<u>\$ 279.0</u>	<u>\$ 266.9</u>	<u>\$ 266.6</u>	<u>\$ 269.3</u>
<b>Product Distribution</b>														
Revenues and sales:														
Service Revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Product sales	246.4	94.3	86.1	66.0	339.8	80.5	90.6	85.5	83.2	334.9	101.0	81.8	83.0	69.1
Total revenues and sales	<u>246.4</u>	<u>94.3</u>	<u>86.1</u>	<u>66.0</u>	<u>339.8</u>	<u>80.5</u>	<u>90.6</u>	<u>85.5</u>	<u>83.2</u>	<u>334.9</u>	<u>101.0</u>	<u>81.8</u>	<u>83.0</u>	<u>69.1</u>
Costs and expenses:														
Cost of services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of products sold	232.5	89.2	81.8	61.5	318.8	75.8	85.2	79.9	77.9	312.8	94.2	76.7	77.6	64.3
Selling, general, administrative and other	14.5	4.9	4.6	5.0	21.5	4.8	5.6	5.1	6.0	15.9	5.0	5.6	2.1	3.2
Restructuring charges	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	-	-	-
Total cash expenses	247.0	94.1	86.4	66.5	340.4	80.6	90.8	85.0	84.0	328.8	99.3	82.3	79.7	67.5
Other OIBDA (B)	(0.6)	0.2	(0.3)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.1)	(0.2)	0.5	(0.8)	6.1	1.7	(0.5)	3.3	1.6
Depreciation and amortization	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	1.4	0.6	-	0.4	0.4
Segment income	<u>\$ (1.0)</u>	<u>\$ 0.1</u>	<u>\$ (0.4)</u>	<u>\$ (0.7)</u>	<u>\$ (1.4)</u>	<u>\$ (0.3)</u>	<u>\$ (0.5)</u>	<u>\$ 0.3</u>	<u>\$ (0.9)</u>	<u>\$ 4.7</u>	<u>\$ 1.1</u>	<u>\$ (0.5)</u>	<u>\$ 2.9</u>	<u>\$ 1.2</u>
<b>Intercompany eliminations:</b>														
Revenues and sales														
Service revenues	\$ (37.9)	\$ (13.2)	\$ (12.4)	\$ (12.3)	\$ (58.4)	\$ (13.9)	\$ (15.7)	\$ (14.6)	\$ (14.2)	\$ (69.4)	\$ (12.8)	\$ (12.0)	\$ (21.2)	\$ (23.4)
Product sales	(161.1)	(61.8)	(57.7)	(41.6)	(221.8)	(55.0)	(61.9)	(52.5)	(52.4)	(199.4)	(65.8)	(46.9)	(49.5)	(37.2)
Total revenues and sales	<u>(199.0)</u>	<u>(75.0)</u>	<u>(70.1)</u>	<u>(53.9)</u>	<u>(280.2)</u>	<u>(68.9)</u>	<u>(77.6)</u>	<u>(67.1)</u>	<u>(66.6)</u>	<u>(268.8)</u>	<u>(78.6)</u>	<u>(58.9)</u>	<u>(70.7)</u>	<u>(60.6)</u>
Costs and expenses:														
Cost of services	(37.9)	(13.2)	(12.4)	(12.3)	(56.1)	(13.4)	(14.5)	(14.2)	(14.0)	(78.7)	(9.7)	(15.3)	(29.6)	(24.1)
Cost of products sold	(161.1)	(61.8)	(57.7)	(41.6)	(224.1)	(55.5)	(63.1)	(52.9)	(52.6)	(190.1)	(68.9)	(43.6)	(41.1)	(36.5)
Total cash expenses	(199.0)	(75.0)	(70.1)	(53.9)	(280.2)	(68.9)	(77.6)	(67.1)	(66.6)	(268.8)	(78.6)	(58.9)	(70.7)	(60.6)
OIBDA (B)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation and amortization	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating income	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Consolidated:</b>														
Revenues and sales														
Service revenues	\$ 2,254.7	\$ 742.0	\$ 752.6	\$ 760.1	\$ 3,037.3	\$ 751.9	\$ 765.3	\$ 769.0	\$ 751.1	\$ 2,992.2	\$ 766.2	\$ 750.6	\$ 738.0	\$ 737.4
Product sales	139.3	52.1	47.3	39.9	181.6	41.1	46.3	49.3	44.9	185.5	49.6	47.5	45.5	42.9
Total revenues and sales	<u>2,394.0</u>	<u>794.1</u>	<u>799.9</u>	<u>800.0</u>	<u>3,218.9</u>	<u>793.0</u>	<u>811.6</u>	<u>818.3</u>	<u>796.0</u>	<u>3,177.7</u>	<u>815.8</u>	<u>798.1</u>	<u>783.5</u>	<u>780.3</u>
Costs and expenses:														
Cost of services	743.1	249.8	244.5	248.8	998.9	249.4	249.1	257.4	243.0	931.6	242.5	247.1	216.7	225.3
Cost of products sold	124.9	48.4	42.5	34.0	147.6	34.0	37.6	38.5	37.5	161.3	37.7	41.5	46.1	36.0
Selling, general, administrative and other	286.7	94.0	95.6	97.1	418.5	95.9	106.6	107.1	108.9	435.2	112.2	104.2	112.2	106.6
Restructuring charges	2.1	1.0	0.6	0.5	4.6	1.1	0.3	-	3.2	10.6	10.6	-	-	-
Total cash expenses	1,156.8	393.2	383.2	380.4	1,569.6	380.4	393.6	403.0	392.6	1,538.7	403.0	392.8	375.0	367.9
OIBDA (B)	1,237.2	400.9	416.7	419.6	1,649.3	412.6	418.0	415.3	403.4	1,639.0	412.8	405.3	408.5	412.4
Depreciation and amortization	368.7	123.8	123.2	121.7	530.2	121.5	138.4	136.5	133.8	552.5	132.7	138.9	139.0	141.9
Operating income	<u>\$ 868.5</u>	<u>\$ 277.1</u>	<u>\$ 293.5</u>	<u>\$ 297.9</u>	<u>\$ 1,119.1</u>	<u>\$ 291.1</u>	<u>\$ 279.6</u>	<u>\$ 278.8</u>	<u>\$ 269.6</u>	<u>\$ 1,086.5</u>	<u>\$ 280.1</u>	<u>\$ 266.4</u>	<u>\$ 269.5</u>	<u>\$ 270.5</u>

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	2008				2007					2006				
	Total	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.	Total	4th Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.	Total	4th Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.
Operating Income Margin: (C)														
Wireline	37.1%	35.8%	37.5%	37.9%	35.5%	37.3%	35.1%	34.8%	34.7%	34.8%	35.2%	34.4%	34.6%	34.9%
Other	-0.4%	0.1%	-0.5%	-1.0%	-0.4%	-0.4%	-0.6%	0.4%	-1.1%	1.4%	1.1%	-0.6%	3.5%	1.7%
Consolidated	36.3%	34.9%	36.7%	37.2%	34.8%	36.7%	34.5%	34.1%	33.9%	34.2%	34.3%	33.4%	34.4%	34.7%
OIBDA Margin (D)														
Wireline	52.7%	51.7%	53.2%	53.3%	52.2%	52.8%	52.4%	51.9%	51.9%	52.5%	51.8%	52.3%	52.5%	53.2%
Other	-0.2%	0.2%	-0.3%	-0.7%	-0.2%	-0.1%	-0.2%	0.6%	-1.0%	1.8%	1.7%	-0.6%	4.0%	2.3%
Consolidated	51.7%	50.5%	52.1%	52.5%	51.2%	52.0%	51.5%	50.8%	50.7%	51.6%	50.6%	50.8%	52.1%	52.9%

SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE INFORMATION:

**Wireline:**

Revenues and sales:															
Voice	\$ 908.7	\$ 297.8	\$ 304.5	\$ 306.4	\$ 1,296.7	\$ 313.4	\$ 321.4	\$ 329.6	\$ 332.3	\$ 1,372.7	\$ 334.2	\$ 339.6	\$ 346.2	\$ 352.7	
Long distance	213.8	71.1	70.9	71.8	267.6	68.1	67.9	66.7	64.9	241.9	68.0	60.0	57.6	56.3	
Data and special access	587.9	199.3	194.4	194.2	726.9	188.2	186.2	179.2	173.3	651.5	169.4	164.3	160.7	157.1	
Switched access and USF	447.6	144.1	149.9	153.6	620.4	150.1	160.0	162.7	147.6	628.3	162.1	154.3	155.9	156.0	
Miscellaneous	134.6	42.9	45.3	46.4	184.1	46.0	45.5	45.4	47.2	167.2	45.3	44.4	38.8	38.7	
Product sales	54.0	19.6	18.9	15.5	63.6	15.6	17.6	16.3	14.1	50.0	14.4	12.6	12.0	11.0	
Total revenues and sales	\$ 2,346.6	\$ 774.8	\$ 783.9	\$ 787.9	\$ 3,159.3	\$ 781.4	\$ 798.6	\$ 799.9	\$ 779.4	\$ 3,111.6	\$ 793.4	\$ 775.2	\$ 771.2	\$ 771.8	

- (A) Pro forma results from current businesses adjusts results of operations under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") for the effects of the Company's split off of its directory publishing business, the acquisition of CT Communications, Inc. ("CTC"), and excludes all merger and integration costs related to strategic transactions, discontinuance of SFAS No. 71, CTC wireless and non-cash impairment charge for assets held for sale.
- (B) OIBDA is segment income before depreciation and amortization.
- (C) Operating income margin is calculated by dividing segment income by the corresponding amount of segment revenues and sales before intercompany eliminations.
- (D) OIBDA margin is calculated by dividing segment income before depreciation and amortization by the corresponding amount of segment revenues and sales before intercompany eliminations.

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	2008				2007					2006				
	Total	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.	Total	4th Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.	Total	4th Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.
Wireline:														
Access lines (B)	3,086.2	3,086.2	3,124.2	3,161.2	3,203.2	3,203.2	3,241.4	3,287.6	3,325.3	3,357.5	3,357.5	3,403.0	3,441.2	3,477.3
<i>YOY change in access lines</i>	-4.8%	-4.8%	-5.0%	-4.9%	-4.6%	-4.6%	-4.7%	-4.5%	-4.4%	-4.2%	-4.2%	-3.9%	-3.7%	-3.4%
Net access line losses	(116.9)	(37.9)	(37.1)	(41.9)	(154.3)	(38.2)	(46.2)	(37.7)	(32.2)	(148.4)	(45.5)	(38.2)	(36.1)	(28.6)
Average access lines (B)	3,143.0	3,105.8	3,140.7	3,182.5	3,281.9	3,221.5	3,261.8	3,307.3	3,339.2	3,437.1	3,379.4	3,421.8	3,460.4	3,489.4
High-speed Internet customers	962.7	962.7	934.3	911.0	871.4	871.4	830.2	782.1	744.1	682.6	682.6	628.5	571.5	524.8
Net high-speed Internet additions	91.2	28.3	23.3	39.6	188.8	41.2	48.1	38.0	61.5	212.0	54.1	57.0	46.7	54.2
<i>YOY change in high-speed Internet customers</i>	16.0%	16.0%	19.5%	22.4%	27.7%	27.7%	32.1%	36.9%	41.8%	45.0%	45.0%	47.6%	51.9%	58.9%
Average revenue per customer per month (C)	\$82.96	\$83.16	\$83.20	\$82.52	\$80.22	\$80.85	\$81.61	\$80.62	\$77.80	\$75.44	\$78.26	\$75.52	\$74.29	\$73.73
Digital satellite television customers	251.7	251.7	231.1	210.4	195.6	195.6	177.5	150.2	122.3	87.7	87.7	61.5	42.8	29.1
Long distance customers (B)	2,039.0	2,039.0	2,049.7	2,069.3	2,066.6	2,066.6	2,065.5	2,062.1	2,068.6	2,077.5	2,077.5	2,092.9	2,087.5	2,072.3
Consolidated:														
Capital expenditures	\$219.5	\$86.2	\$77.5	\$55.8	\$388.2	\$97.4	\$95.4	\$105.2	\$90.2	\$441.3	\$147.1	\$101.1	\$112.4	\$80.7

Reconciliation of Operating Income under GAAP to OIBDA from Current Businesses:

	2008				2007					2006				
	Total	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.	Total	4th Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.	Total	4th Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	1st Qtr.
Operating income previously reported under GAAP	\$ 858.2	\$ 270.6	\$ 288.9	\$ 298.7	\$ 1,151.1	\$ 300.1	\$ 288.6	\$ 292.8	\$ 269.6	\$ 898.9	\$ 285.7	\$ 254.0	\$ 185.3	\$ 173.9
Other operating income adjustment for wireless discontinued operations (D)	(2.4)	-	-	(2.4)	(1.7)	(1.3)	(0.4)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating income from continuing operations under GAAP	\$ 855.8	\$ 270.6	\$ 288.9	\$ 296.3	\$ 1,149.4	\$ 298.8	\$ 288.2	\$ 292.8	\$ 269.6	\$ 898.9	\$ 285.7	\$ 254.0	\$ 185.3	\$ 173.9

Pro forma adjustments

Wireline operating income adjustment for split off of directory publishing	-	-	-	-	(42.2)	(10.5)	(10.7)	(14.1)	(6.9)	(53.9)	(20.6)	(12.2)	(14.1)	(7.0)
Other operating income adjustment for split off of directory publishing	-	-	-	-	(5.4)	(0.5)	(2.2)	(4.7)	2.0	(10.6)	(6.3)	(0.5)	(4.9)	1.1
Valor operating income prior to merger	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80.9	-	(6.9)	43.5	44.3
CTC operating income prior to acquisition	-	-	-	-	11.5	-	2.8	3.4	5.3	19.0	7.4	5.1	3.0	3.5
Valor merger and ingration costs prior to merger	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.6	-	15.6	-	-
CTC merger and integration costs prior to acquisition	-	-	-	-	2.2	-	0.4	1.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Valor customer list amortization prior to merger	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(24.1)	-	(2.1)	(11.0)	(11.0)
CTC customer list amortization prior to acquisition	-	-	-	-	(5.3)	-	(1.3)	(2.0)	(2.0)	(8.0)	(2.0)	(2.0)	(2.0)	(2.0)
Royalty expense to Alltel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	129.5	-	-	62.4	67.1
Merger and integration costs	6.2	-	4.6	1.6	8.9	3.3	2.4	1.6	1.6	38.8	15.9	15.4	5.0	2.5
Impairment loss on assets held for sale	6.5	6.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Discontinuance of SFAS No. 71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	2.3	(1.9)
Adjusted operating income	868.5	277.1	293.5	297.9	1,119.1	291.1	279.6	278.8	269.6	1,086.5	280.1	266.4	269.5	270.5
Depreciation and amortization expense	368.7	123.8	123.2	121.7	530.2	121.5	138.4	136.5	133.8	552.5	132.7	138.9	139.0	141.9
Pro forma OIBDA from current businesses (E)	\$ 1,237.2	\$ 400.9	\$ 416.7	\$ 419.6	\$ 1,649.3	\$ 412.6	\$ 418.0	\$ 415.3	\$ 403.4	\$ 1,639.0	\$ 412.8	\$ 405.3	\$ 408.5	\$ 412.4

(A) Pro forma results from current businesses adjusts results of operations under GAAP for the effects of the Company's split off of its directory publishing business, the acquisition of CTC, and excludes all merger and integration costs related to strategic transactions, discontinuance of SFAS No. 71, CTC wireless and non-cash impairment charge for assets held for sale.

(B) As part of the integration of CTC, the Company reviewed its access line and long distance customer counting methodology. As a result of this review, the Company revised its methodology and access lines and long distance customers reported in historical periods have been revised to conform to the revised approach. This change resulted in a reduction of Windstream's reported access lines of approximately 25,000 access lines and 34,000 long distance customers.

(C) Average revenue per customer per month is calculated by dividing total wireline revenues by average customers for the period.

(D) Wireless income previously reported by Windstream under GAAP.

(E) OIBDA is operating income before depreciation and amortization.

Minute Drive Components of Interstate and Intrastate Revenues

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	Quarter Ended September 30, 2008			
	Originating Traffic		Terminating Traffic	
	Minutes	Rate	Minutes	Rate
	(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Interstate switched access	899,726	\$ 0.0070	835,927	\$ 0.0060
Intrastate switched access	609,344	\$ 0.0340	650,944	\$ 0.0430
Local interconnection	-	-	1,388,359	\$ 0.0100

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