

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

In re:

WINDSTREAM HOLDINGS, INC., *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

)
) Chapter 11
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) Case No. 19-22312 (RDD)

) (Jointly Administered)
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STIPULATED ORDER TO EXTEND DEADLINES

This Stipulated Order to Extend Deadlines (the “Order”) is brought by and among (a) the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (together, “Debtors”); and (b) the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors and UMB Bank, National Association and U.S. Bank National Association, solely in their capacity as indenture trustees, with respect to *Debtors’ Motion For Entry of an Order Approving the Settlement Between the Debtors and Uniti Group, Inc., Including (I) the Sale of Certain of the Debtors’ Assets Pursuant to Section 363(B) and (II) the Assumption of the Leases Pursuant to Section 365(A)* (the “9019 Motion”), and *Debtors’ Motion for Entry of an Order Authorizing (I) the Debtors’ Entry into the Backstop Commitment Agreement and (II) Payment of Related Fees and Expenses* (the “Backstop Motion”). Each of the persons or entities identified in the foregoing clauses (a) and (b) shall be referred to herein individually as a “Party” and, collectively, as the “Parties.”

Recitals

WHEREAS, Debtors filed their 9019 Motion [Dkt. 1558] on March 6, 2020.

¹ The last four digits of Debtor Windstream Holdings, Inc.’s tax identification number are 7717. Due to the large number of Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, for which joint administration has been granted, a complete list of the debtor entities and the last four digits of their federal tax identification numbers is not provided herein. A complete list of such information may be obtained on the website of the Debtors’ proposed claims and noticing agent at <http://www.kccllc.net/windstream>. The location of the Debtors’ service address for purposes of these chapter 11 cases is: 4001 North Rodney Parham Road, Little Rock, Arkansas 72212.



WHEREAS, Debtors filed their Backstop Motion [Dkt. 1579] on March 13, 2020.

WHEREAS, the 9019 Motion and the Backstop Motion are scheduled to be heard on April 3, 2020.

WHEREAS, in connection with the March 17, 2020 telephonic hearing with the Court, the Parties are conferring regarding adjournment of the 9019 Motion and the Backstop Motion hearing on April 3, 2020 to a later date.

WHEREAS, the Court's standing orders require that the Parties exchange pre-marked exhibits for the 9019 Motion and the Backstop Motion no less than 14 days before trial unless otherwise directed by the Court. As the Parties continue discussions regarding the April 3, 2020 hearing date, and without prejudice to any argument that the 9019 Motion or the Backstop Motion cannot be heard on April 3, 2020, the Parties request that the deadline to exchange pre-marked exhibits be moved from March 20, 2020 to April 1, 2020.

WHEREAS, the Court's standing orders require that the Parties agree on the admissibility of as many trial exhibits as possible and submit a joint exhibit book to Chambers no less than five days prior to trial. Without prejudice to any argument that the 9019 Motion or the Backstop Motion cannot be heard on April 3, 2020, the Parties request that this deadline be moved from March 29, 2020 to April 2, 2020.

Order

1. The deadline for the Parties to exchange pre-marked trial exhibits with respect to the Debtor's 9019 Motion and Backstop Motion is April 1, 2020.
2. The deadline for the Parties to agree on the admissibility of as many trial exhibits as possible and submit a joint exhibit book to Chambers is April 2, 2020 at 12:00 PM EST.
3. The Parties may modify the deadlines set forth herein, and any other deadline

regarding the 9019 Motion or Backstop Motion, upon request and further order from the Court.

White Plains, New York

Dated: _____, 2020

THE HONORABLE ROBERT D. DRAIN
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

Dated: March 20, 2020
New York, New York

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