COMMUNICATIONS SALES & LEASING, INC.

Form SC 13G June 27, 2016

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 2)*

Communications Sales & Leasing, Inc. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)
20341J104
(CUSIP Number)
June 24, 2016
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

oRule 13d-1(b)

xRule 13d-1(c)

oRule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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Names of Reporting Person:
   Windstream Holdings, Inc.
 1 I.R.S. Identification Number of
   Above Person (Entities Only):
   46-2847717
   Check the Appropriate Box if a
   Member of a Group:
   (a): o
   (b):o
 3 SEC Use Only:
   Citizenship or Place of
 4 Organization:
   Delaware
Number Sole Voting Power:
of
Shares
Beneficially Shared Voting Power*:
Owned
by
      7 Sole Dispositive Power:
Each
Reporting
Person
With: 8 Shared Dispositive Power*:
   Aggregate Amount Beneficially
9 Owned by Each Reporting
   Person:
   0
   Check if the Aggregate Amount
 10in Row (9) Excludes Certain
   Shares: o
   Percent of Class Represented by
 11 Amount in Row (9):
   0%
 12 Type of Reporting Person:
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* Pursuant to a Stockholder's and Registration Rights Agreement, dated April 24, 2015, by and between Windstream Services, LLC ("Windstream Services") and Communications Sales & Leasing, Inc. (the "Company"), Windstream Services granted to the Company an irrevocable proxy to vote all of the shares of Company common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Common Stock"), beneficially owned by Windstream Services and Windstream Holdings, Inc. (collectively, the "Reporting Persons") in proportion to the votes cast by the Company's other stockholders. As a result, the Reporting Persons did not exercise voting power over any of the shares of Company Common Stock previously held by them. However, the Reporting Persons maintain sole dispositive power with respect to such shares.

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Names of Reporting Person:
Windstream Services, LLC

1 I.R.S. Identification Number of
Above Person (Entities Only):
20-0792300

Check the Appropriate Box if a
Member of a Group:
(a): 0
(b): 0
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3 SEC Use Only:

Citizenship or Place of 4 Organization: Delaware

Number Sole Voting Power:

of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned

by
Each 7
Reporting
Person
With: 8
Sole Dispositive Power:

Shared Dispositive Power*:

Aggregate Amount Beneficially
Owned by Each Reporting
Person:
0

Check if the Aggregate Amount 10in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares: o

Percent of Class Represented by 11 Amount in Row (9): 0%

 12_{OO}^{Type} of Reporting Person:

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Item Name of Issuer:

1(a) Communications Sales & Leasing, Inc.

Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

Item 10802 Executive Center Drive

1(b) Benton Building, Suite 300

Little Rock, AR 72211

Names of Persons Filing:

Item Windstream Holdings, Inc.

2(a) Windstream Services

Address of Principal Business Office, or if none, Residence:

4001 Rodney Parham Road

Item Little Rock, AR 72212

2(b)

4001 Rodney Parham Road

Little Rock, AR 72212

Item Citizenship:

2(c) The state of organization is Maryland.

Item Title of Class of Securities:

2(d) Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share

Item CUSIP Number:

2(e) 20341J104

Item If this statement is filed pursuant to Sections 240.13d-l(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person

- 3. filing is a:
 - (a) o Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780);
 - (b) o Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
 - (c) o Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
 - (d) o Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);
 - (e) o An investment adviser in accordance with Section 240.13d-l(b)(1)(ii)(E);
 - (f) oAn employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Section 240.13d-l(b)(1)(ii)(F);
 - (g) o A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Section 240.13d-l(b)(1)(ii)(G);
 - (h) o A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
 - (i) o A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
 - (j) oA non-U.S. institution in accordance with Section 240.13d-l(b)(1)(ii)(J);
 - (k) o Group, in accordance with Section 240.13d-l(b)(1)(ii)(K). If filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with Section 240.13d-l(b)(1)(ii)(J), please specify the type of institution:

Item

Ownership: 4.

> The information required by Items 4(a) through (c) is set forth in rows 5 through 11 of the cover page hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

On June 24, 2016, Windstream Services, a wholly owned subsidiary of Windstream Holdings, Inc., disposed of 14,681,071 shares of Common Stock of the Company to Windstream Services' creditors in exchange for the satisfaction of certain of its outstanding debt (the "Debt-for-Equity Exchange"). Windstream Services does not own any shares of the Company's Common Stock after the consummation of the Debt-for-Equity Exchange.

Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class. 5.

Not Applicable.

Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Not Applicable.

Item Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the

Parent Holding Company or Control Person.

Not Applicable.

Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not Applicable.

Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not Applicable.

Item

Certifications. 10.

Not Applicable.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: June 27, 2016 WINDSTREAM HOLDINGS, INC. WINDSTREAM SERVICES, LLC

/s/ Kristi Moody Name: Kristi Moody

Title: Senior Vice President and Corporate Secretary