

OPEN JOINT STOCK CO VIMPEL COMMUNICATIONS

Form 6-K

September 04, 2009

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 6-K**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 under**

**the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**For the month of September 2009**

**Commission File Number 1-14522**

**Open Joint Stock Company Vimpel-Communications**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**10 Ulitsa 8-Marta, Building 14, Moscow, Russian Federation 127083**

(Address of principal executive offices)

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

OPEN JOINT STOCK COMPANY  
VIMPEL-COMMUNICATIONS  
(Registrant)

Date: September 4, 2009

By: /s/ Alexander Y. Torbakhov  
Name: Alexander Y. Torbakhov  
Title: General Director

**Moscow and New York (September 4, 2009) - Open Joint Stock Company Vimpel-Communications ( VimpelCom or the Company ) (NYSE: VIP)**, the leading provider of telecommunications services in Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), today announced that it has signed a credit line agreement with Sberbank in the amount of RUR 10 billion.

The loan with Sberbank bears interest at a rate of 15% per annum and to be repaid in two equal installments in August 2012 and in April 2013.

VimpelCom intends to use the proceeds from the loan for refinancing of its existing indebtedness and development of VimpelCom's core business.

The VimpelCom Group consists of telecommunications operators providing voice and data services through a range of mobile, fixed and broadband technologies. The Group includes companies operating in Russia, Kazakhstan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Georgia, Armenia, as well as Vietnam and Cambodia, in territories with a total population of about 340 million. VimpelCom was the first Russian company to list its shares on the New York Stock Exchange ( NYSE ). VimpelCom's ADSs are listed on the NYSE under the symbol VIP .

*This release contains forward-looking statements , as the phrase is defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These statements relate to the Company's intended use of the proceeds from the credit agreement described above and are based on Management's best assessment of the Company's strategic and financial position and of future market conditions and trends. These statements involve risks and uncertainties. The actual use of proceeds may differ materially from these statements as a result of continued volatility in the economies in the markets in which the Company operates, unforeseen developments from competition, governmental regulation of the telecommunications industries, general political uncertainties in the markets in which the Company operates and/or litigation with third parties. The*

*actual use of proceeds may also differ materially if the Company is unable to obtain all necessary corporate approvals relating to its business, if the Company is unable to successfully integrate newly-acquired businesses, including Golden Telecom, and other factors. Certain factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in any forward-looking statements include the risks described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2008 and other public filings made by the Company with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, which risk factors are incorporated herein by reference. VimpelCom disclaims any obligation to update developments of these risk factors or to announce publicly any revision to any of the forward-looking statements contained in this release, or to make corrections to reflect future events or developments.*

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