VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * OTIS CLARENCE JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC [VZ]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2010

3.

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC., 140 WEST STREET, 29TH **FLOOR**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Issuer

below)

NEW YORK, NY 10007

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Numb	er	6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of		8. Pric
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction of Derivative		-		Underlying Securities		Deriva	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code Securities		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Securi	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired						(Instr.
	Derivative				(A) or						
	Security				Disposed of (D)						
					(Instr. 3,	4,					
					and 5)						
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date	Expiration	Title	Amount	
					()	(2)	Exercisable	Date	11110	or	
							2.1010104010	2		Number	
										of	
										Shares	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	02/04/2010		A	4,541		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	4,541	\$ 28

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

OTIS CLARENCE JR VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC. 140 WEST STREET, 29TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10007



Signatures

William L. Horton, Jr., Attorney-in-fact for Otis, Jr.,
Clarence
02/08/2010

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock and is settled in cash. The shares of phantom stock become payable following the reporting person's termination of service as a director.
- (2) Includes phantom stock acquired through dividend reinvestment.

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