VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * REED MARC C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC [VZ]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Middle)

(Zip)

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

below) EVP - Human Resources

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10007

(City) (State) 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)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership Form: Direct

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(Α) (Γ	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock (unitized)	(1)	02/05/2010		A	65.616	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	19	
Restricted Stock Units - 2010 - 2012 Award Cycle	(3)	02/04/2010		A	28,502	<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	28,502	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
REED MARC C VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC. 140 WEST STREET, 29TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10007			EVP - Human Resources	

Signatures

William L. Horton, Jr., Attorney-in-fact for Reed, Marc C. 02/08/2010

**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 a portion of one share of common stock and is settled in cash. The shares of phantom stock become payable upon events established by the reporting person in accordance with the deferred compensation plan.

Date

- (2) Includes phantom stock acquired through dividend reinvestment.
- (3) Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents the right to receive one share of common stock, plus accrued dividends, upon vesting. Subject to the terms of the Restricted Stock Unit Agreement, each RSU will vest on December 31, 2012.

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