UNITED STATES

SECURITIES

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FO	RM 8-K
CURRI	ENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)	of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
_	ort: January 6, 2006
(Date of ear	rliest event reported)

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-8606 (Commission File Number)

23-2259884 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

140 West Street

New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

10007 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 395-2121

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Attached as an exhibit is a correction to a press release dated January 6, 2006 issued by Verizon Communications Inc. (Verizon) regarding the closing of the Verizon and MCI, Inc. merger.

SIGNATURE

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.

Verizon Communications Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: January 6, 2006 /s/ Marianne Drost

Marianne Drost Senior Vice President, Deputy General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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