

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC  
Form 8-K  
October 06, 2005

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

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report: October 6, 2005**

**(Date of earliest event reported)**

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**VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

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**Delaware**  
*(State or other jurisdiction*  
  
*of incorporation)*

**1-8606**  
*(Commission File Number)*

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

**1095 Avenue of the Americas**

**New York, New York**

**10036**

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*(Address of principal executive offices)*

*(Zip Code)*

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

**Not applicable**

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

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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))

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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

Attached as an exhibit hereto is a press release dated October 6, 2005 announcing the approval of the Verizon-MCI merger by the shareholders of MCI.

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: October 6, 2005

/s/ David H. Benson

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David H. Benson  
Senior Vice President and Controller

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

**Exhibit**

| <b>Number</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
|---------------|---|
| 99            | Press release dated October 6, 2005 announcing the approval of the Verizon-MCI merger by the shareholders of MCI. |