VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC Form 8-K August 15, 2006

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report: August 15, 2006

(Date of earliest event reported)

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-8606

23-2259884

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

140 West Street 10007

New York, New York (Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 395-1000

Not Applicable

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

Today a subsidiary of Verizon Communications Inc. (Verizon) delivered approximately 29.4 million shares of newly-issued Verizon common stock to Price Communications Corporation (Price) in exchange for a limited partnership interest in Verizon Wireless of the East LP (VZEast), pursuant to the Exchange Agreement dated as of December 18, 2001 by and among Price, Price Communications Cellular, Inc., Price Communications Cellular Holdings, Inc. and Verizon, Verizon Wireless, Inc., Cellco Partnership, and VZEast. The issuance of these shares has been reflected in Verizon s previously reported diluted earnings per share as exchangeable equity interest.

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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: August 15, 2006 /s/ Thomas A. Bartlett
Thomas A. Bartlett

Senior Vice President and Controller