### VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC

Form 4

November 24, 2014

### 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 \* REED MARC C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC [VZ]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year)

11/20/2014

below)

EVP & Chief Admin. Officer

**VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS** INC., 1095 AVENUE OF THE **AMERICAS** 

(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

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(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)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(A)

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 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities		8. P Der Sect (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock (unitized)	(1)	11/20/2014		A	70.931	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	20	\$

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

REED MARC C VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC. 1095 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10036

EVP & Chief Admin. Officer

# **Signatures**

William L. Horton, Jr., Attorney-in-fact for Marc C.
Reed
11/24/2014

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **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.
- (2) Includes phantom stock acquired through dividend reinvestment.

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Upon termination of the grantor retained annuity trust (the "GRAT"), 209,611 shares were gifted to the Peltz 2009 Family Trust. The remaining 159,000 shares were transferred by the GRAT to Mr. Peltz. Accordingly, Mr. Peltz's direct holdings have been increased to reflect the transfer of such shares by the GRAT.

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- (2) All such shares are owned by the Peltz 2009 Family Trust for the benefit of Mr. Peltz's children. Mr. Peltz's spouse is a trustee of the trust.
- The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
  - Trian Fund Management, L.P. ("Trian Management") serves as the management company for Trian Partners, L.P. ("Trian Onshore"), Trian Partners Master Fund, L.P. ("Trian Offshore"), Trian Partners Parallel Fund I, L.P. ("Parallel Fund I") and Trian Partners Strategic Investment Fund, L.P. ("Strategic Fund" and collectively, the "Trian Entities"), and as such determines the investment and voting
- (4) decisions of the Trian Entities with respect to the shares of the Issuer held by them. Mr. Peltz is a member of Trian Fund Management GP, LLC, which is the general partner of Trian Management, and as such is in a position to determine the investment and voting decisions made by Trian Management on behalf of the Trian Entities. Mr. Peltz is also a member of Trian Partners General Partner, LLC ("Trian GP LLC"), the general partner of Trian Partners GP, L.P. ("Trian GP"), and as such is in a position to determine the investment and voting decisions made by Trian GP LLC on behalf of Trian GP.
- (5) (FN 4, contd.) Accordingly, Mr. Peltz may be deemed to indirectly beneficially own (as that term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) the shares beneficially owned by the Trian Entities and Trian GP. Mr. Peltz disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (6) Owned by minor and adult children living in the reporting person's household.

### **Remarks:**

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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