

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC

Form 8-K

May 21, 2004

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

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

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

Date of Report: May 21, 2004

(Date of earliest event reported)

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**VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<b>Delaware</b> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	<b>1-8606</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>23-2259884</b> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
<b>1095 Avenue of the Americas,</b>  <b>New York, New York</b> (Address of principal executive offices)		<b>10036</b> (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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Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

Attached as an exhibit is a press release issued by Verizon Communications Inc. on May 21, 2004, announcing an agreement to sell wireline-related businesses in Hawaii.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release issued by Verizon Communications Inc. dated May 21, 2004.

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.

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(Registrant)

Date: May 21, 2004

/s/ David H. Benson

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David H. Benson  
Senior Vice President and Controller

EXHIBIT INDEX

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
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