VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC Form 8-K March 31, 2008

# 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: March 31, 2008

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

#### 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 press release dated March 31, 2008 issued by Verizon Communications Inc. (Verizon) related to the completion of the spin-off of the shares of Northern New England Spinco Inc. (Spinco), a subsidiary of Verizon, to Verizon stockholders and the subsequent merger of Spinco with FairPoint Communications, Inc.

#### **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: March 31, 2008 /s/ Marianne Drost Marianne Drost

Senior Vice President, Deputy General

Counsel and Corporate Secretary

#### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

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