ANGELO GORDON & CO LP/NY Form SC 13G August 07, 2003

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. ___)*

VERTICALNET, INC.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value
----(Title of Class of Securities)

92532L206 -----(CUSIP Number)

July 29, 2003

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b)
[] Rule 13d-1(c)
[] Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1	Names of Reporting Persons I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)							
	ANGELO, GORDON & CO., L.P.							
2	Check the Appropriate Box If a Member of a Group (See Instructions)							
				a. [] b. [X]				
3	SEC Use Only							
4	Citizenship or Place of Organization							
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Reporting Person With	ng	7	Sole D	ispositive Power 1,494,600				
WICH		8	Shared	Dispositive Power 0				
9	Aggregate A	Amount Benef	icially	Owned by Each Reporting	Person			
		1,	494,600					
10	Check Box If the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)							
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11	Percent of Class Represented By Amount in Row (9)							
	9.10%							
12	2 Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)							
BD, IA, PN								
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1	Names of Reporting Persons I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)							
	JOHN M. ANGELO							
2	Check the A	Appropriate	Box If	a Member of a Group (See	Instructions)			

a. [] b. [X]

3 SEC Use Only

4 Citizenship or Place of Organization

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Sole Voting Power Number of 0 Shares Beneficially 6 Shared Voting Power Owned By 1,494,600 Each Reporting 7 Sole Dispositive Power Person 0 With Shared Dispositive Power 1,494,600

9 Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

1,494,600

10 Check Box If the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

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11 Percent of Class Represented By Amount in Row (9)

9.10%

12 Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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Names of Reporting Persons I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)

MICHAEL L. GORDON

2 Check the Appropriate Box If a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

a. [] b. [X]

- 3 SEC Use Only
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Sole Voting Power

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Item 1(a)	Name of Issuer:					
	VerticalNet, Inc. (the	"Issuer")				
Item 1(b)	Address of the Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:					
	400 Chester Field Parkw	ray, Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355				
Item 2(a)	Name of Person Filing:					
(collectively	The Statement is filed	on behalf of each of the following persons				

i) Angelo, Gordon & Co., L.P. ("Angelo, Gordon");

(collectively, the "Reporting Persons"):

- ii) John M. Angelo, in his capacities as a general partner of AG Partners, L.P., the sole general partner of Angelo, Gordon, and as the chief executive officer of Angelo, Gordon ("Mr. Angelo"); and
- iii) Michael L. Gordon, in his capacities as the other general partner of AG Partners, L.P., the sole general partner of Angelo, Gordon, and as the chief operating officer of Angelo, Gordon ("Mr. Gordon").

This statement relates to Shares (as defined herein) held for the account of a private investment fund for which Angelo, Gordon acts as general partner and/or investment adviser.

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:

The address of the principal business office of each of the Reporting Persons is 245 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10167.

- Item 2(c) Citizenship:
 - 1) Angelo, Gordon is a Delaware limited partnership;
 - 2) Mr. Angelo is a citizen of the United States; and
 - 3) Mr. Gordon is a citizen of the United States.
- Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Shares").

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number:

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- Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:
 - i) Angelo, Gordon is a broker-dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act and an investment adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.
 - ii) Mr. Angelo is a control person of Angelo, Gordon.
 - iii) Mr. Gordon is a control person of Angelo, Gordon.
- Item 4. Ownership:
- Item 4(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:

As of August 6, 2003, each of the Reporting Persons may be deemed the beneficial owner of 1,494,600 Shares held for the account of a private investment fund for which Angelo, Gordon acts a general manager and/or investment adviser.

Item 4(b) Percent of Class:

Each of the Reporting Persons may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of approximately 9.10% of the total number of Shares outstanding (based upon information provided to the Reporting Persons by the Issuer, the number of Shares outstanding was 16,418,685 as of August 6,2003).

Item 4(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

Angelo, Gordon

(i)	Sole power to vote or direct the vote:	1,494,600
(ii)	Shared power to vote or to direct the vote	0
(iii)	Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of	1,494,600
(iv)	Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of	0
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(i)	Sole power to vote or direct the vote:	0
(ii)	Shared power to vote or to direct the vote	1,494,600
(iii)	Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of	0
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(iii)	Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of	0
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Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

This Item 5 is not applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

The limited partners of (or investors in) the private investment fund for which Angelo, Gordon acts as general partner and/or investment adviser have the right to participate in the receipt of dividends from, or proceeds from the sale of, the securities held for the account of the fund in accordance with their respective limited partnership interests (or investment percentages) in the private investment fund.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company:

Angelo, Gordon is the relevant $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right) +\left($

Angelo, Gordon is a broker-dealer registered under Section 15 of the ${\tt Act}$ and an investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers ${\tt Act}$ of 1940.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

This Item 8 is not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

This Item 9 is not applicable.

Item 10. Certification:

By signing below each of the Reporting Persons certifies that, to the best of such person's knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the Issuer of such securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: August 7, 2003 ANGELO, GORDON & CO., L.P.

By: AG Partners, L.P.
Its General Partner

By:/s/ Michael L. Gordon

Name: Michael L. Gordon Title: General Partner

Date: August 7, 2003 JOHN M. ANGELO

/s/ John M. Angelo

Date: August 7, 2003 MICHAEL L. GORDON

/s/ Michael L. Gordon

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EXHIBIT A

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree that the statement on Schedule 13G with respect to the common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, of VerticalNet, Inc., dated as of August 7, 2003, is, and any amendments thereto (including amendments on Schedule 13D) signed by each of the undersigned shall be, filed on behalf of each of us pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Date: August 7, 2003 ANGELO, GORDON & CO., L.P.

By: AG Partners, L.P.
 Its General Partner

By:/s/ Michael L. Gordon

Name: Michael L. Gordon Title: General Partner

Date: August 7, 2003 JOHN M. ANGELO

/s/ John M. Angelo

Date: August 7, 2003 MICHAEL L. GORDON

/s/ Michael L. Gordon