

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Stratton John G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC [VZ]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
EVP & President of Operations

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC., 1095 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/10/2017

NEW YORK, NY 10036  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                                      |
| Common Stock                    | 02/10/2017                           |  | M                              |   | 40,780  | A  | 113,779                                    |
| Common Stock                    | 02/10/2017                           |  | F                              |   | 21,145  | D  | \$ 48.98                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 1,219                                      |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   | I  | By 401(k)                                  |

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)

| 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Units - 2014-16 Award Cycle | <u>(1)</u>   | 02/10/2017                           |  | M                              | 40,780  | 02/10/2017   | 02/10/2017  | Common Stock | 40,780                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| Stratton John G<br>VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC.<br>1095 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS<br>NEW YORK, NY 10036 |               |           | EVP & President of Operations |       |

## Signatures

William L. Horton, Jr., Attorney-in-fact for John G. Stratton  
Date: 02/14/2017

\_\_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 Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents the right to receive one share of common stock on the payment date, unless deferred at the election of the reporting person. To the extent deferred, each RSU represents the right to have an amount equal to the value of one share of common stock on the payment date credited to the reporting person's deferred compensation plan account and deemed invested in a hypothetical cash-based investment option.

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