

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS INC /MO/  
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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT NO. 16 DATED FEBRUARY 25, 2003  
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 AS SUPPLEMENTED BY PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT NOS. 1 THROUGH 15

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

\$750,000,000 of 5.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2005 and 34,786,650  
 Shares of Class A Common Stock Issuable Upon Conversion of the  
 5.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2005  
 and  
 31,664,667 Issued or Issuable Shares of Class A Common Stock

This prospectus supplement relates to (1) \$750,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 5.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2005 of Charter Communications, Inc., and 34,786,650 shares of Class A common stock of Charter Communications, Inc., which are initially issuable upon conversion of the notes, plus an indeterminate number of shares as may become issuable upon conversion as a result of adjustments to the conversion rate; and (2) 31,664,667 shares of Class A common stock of Charter Communications, Inc. issued or issuable to certain entities in connection with Charter Communications, Inc.'s purchase of certain cable systems in 2000 plus an indeterminate number of shares as may become issuable upon certain events. This prospectus supplement should be read in conjunction with the prospectus dated February 6, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 1 dated February 16, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 2 dated February 20, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 3 dated March 15, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 4 dated April 3, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 5 dated April 30, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 6 dated May 3, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 7 dated May 18, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 8 dated June 5, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 9 dated July 6, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 10 dated July 16, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 11 dated October 1, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 12 dated October 4, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 13 dated November 27, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 14 dated June 14, 2002 and Prospectus Supplement No. 15 dated September 18, 2002, which are to be delivered with this prospectus supplement.

The information appearing in the table below, as of the date hereof, supersedes the information in the table appearing under the heading "Selling Securityholders" in Prospectus Supplement No. 15:

|   | CONVERTIBLE SENIOR NOTES                    |   |
|---|---|---|
|   | AMOUNT OF<br>NOTES OWNED<br>BEFORE OFFERING | PRINCIPAL<br>AMOUNT OF<br>NOTES THAT<br>MAY BE SOLD |
| AAM/Zazove Institutional Income Funds, LP (GS)..... | \$ 1,300,000                                | \$ 1,300,000  |
| AFTRA Health Fund.....                              | 1,000,000                                   | 1,000,000   |
| AIG/National Union Fire Insurance Ltd.....          | 800,000                                     | 800,000   |
| AIG Soundshore Opportunity Holding Fund, Ltd.....   | 3,500,000                                   | 3,500,000   |

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| AIG Soundshore Strategic Holding Fund, Ltd.....   | 4,000,000  | 4,000,000  |
| AIM Strategic Income Fund.....  | 1,500,000  | 1,500,000  |
| Alexandra Global Investment Fund I Ltd.....   | 3,000,000  | 3,000,000  |
| Aloha Airlines Non-Pilots Pension Trust.....  | 245,000    | 245,000    |
| Aloha Pilots Retirement Trust.....  | 140,000    | 140,000    |
| Alpha US Sub Fund VIII, LLC.....  | 1,250,000  | 1,250,000  |
| Alpine Associates.....  | 5,600,000  | 5,600,000  |
| Alpine Partners, L.P.....   | 900,000    | 900,000    |
| Argent Classic Convertible Arbitrage Fund Ltd.....                                      | 4,000,000  | 4,000,000  |
| Argent Classic Convertible Arbitrage Fund (Bermuda) L.P.....                            | 11,000,000 | 11,000,000 |
| Argent Convertible Arbitrage Fund L.P.....  | 10,000,000 | 10,000,000 |
| Aristeia International, Limited.....  | 5,160,000  | 5,160,000  |
| Aristeia Trading, L.P.....  | 3,340,000  | 3,340,000  |
| Arkansas PERS.....  | 800,000    | 800,000    |
| Arkansas Teachers Retirement.....   | 6,376,000  | 6,376,000  |
| Associated Electric & Gas Insurance Services Limited.....                               | 800,000    | 800,000    |
| Bank Austria Cayman Islands, Ltd.....   | 9,125,000  | 9,125,000  |
| Baptist Health of South Florida.....  | 407,000    | 407,000    |
| BBT Fund, L.P.....  | 16,000,000 | 16,000,000 |
| Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. (1).....   | 5,000,000  | 5,000,000  |
| Black Diamond Offshore, Ltd.....  | 281,000    | 281,000    |
| BNP Paribas Equity Strategies.....  | 13,845,000 | 13,845,000 |
| BNP Cooper Neff Convertible Strategies Fund, L.P.....                                   | 1,155,000  | 1,155,000  |
| Boilermakers Blacksmith Pension Trust.....  | 1,075,000  | 1,075,000  |
| Boston Museum of Fine Arts.....   | 170,000    | 170,000    |
| Boulder II Limited.....   | 6,762,000  | 6,762,000  |
| BP Amoco PLC Master Trust.....  | 2,162,000  | 2,162,000  |
| BT Equity Opportunities.....  | 4,000,000  | 4,000,000  |
| BT Equity Strategies.....   | 1,500,000  | 1,500,000  |
| C&H Sugar Company, Inc.....   | 385,000    | 385,000    |
| Canyon Capital Arbitrage Master Fund, Ltd.....  | 5,400,000  | 5,400,000  |
| Canyon Value Realization (Cayman), Ltd.....   | 22,925,000 | 22,925,000 |
| Capital Guardian Global Convertible Fund #011.....                                      | 290,000    | 290,000    |
| CIBC World Markets (1).....   | 800,000    | 800,000    |
| CIBC World Markets (International) Arbitrage Corp.....                                  | 4,000,000  | 4,000,000  |
| Citi JL, Ltd.....   | 117,000    | 117,000    |
| Clinton Riverside Convertible Portfolio Limited.....                                    | 7,000,000  | 7,000,000  |
| Common Fund Event Driven Company 6.....   | 107,000    | 107,000    |
| Conseco Annuity Assurance - Multi Bucket Annuity<br>Convertible Bond Fund.....          | 1,000,000  | 1,000,000  |
| Conseco Fund Group - Convertible Securities Fund.....                                   | 1,000,000  | 1,000,000  |
| DeAM Convertible Arbitrage Fund, Ltd.....   | 2,200,000  | 2,200,000  |
| Deephaven Domestic Convertible Trading Ltd.....   | 16,250,000 | 16,250,000 |
| Delaware PERS.....  | 1,550,000  | 1,550,000  |
| Delta Pilots D&S Trust.....   | 440,000    | 440,000    |
| D.E. Shaw Valence, L.P.....   | 1,600,000  | 1,600,000  |
| D.E. Shaw Investments, L.P.....   | 400,000    | 400,000    |
| Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.....   | 24,300,000 | 24,300,000 |
| Double Black Diamond Offshore, LDC.....   | 1,168,000  | 1,168,000  |
| Duckbill & Co.....  | 2,500,000  | 2,500,000  |
| Engineers Joint Pension Fund.....   | 700,000    | 700,000    |
| Enterprise Convertible Security Fund.....   | 101,000    | 101,000    |
| Evergreen Equity Income Fund.....   | 7,000,000  | 7,000,000  |
| F.R. Convr Sec Fn.....  | 85,000     | 85,000     |
| Family Service Life Insurance Company.....  | 300,000    | 300,000    |
| Federated American Leaders Fund Inc.....  | 18,500,000 | 18,500,000 |
| Federated Equity Funds, on behalf of its Federated<br>Capital Appreciation Fund.....    | 7,600,000  | 7,600,000  |
| Federated Equity Income Fund, Inc.....  | 42,000,000 | 42,000,000 |
| Federated Insurance Series, on behalf of its Federated<br>American Leaders Fund II..... | 2,400,000  | 2,400,000  |
| Federated Insurance Series, on behalf of its Federated                                  |            |            |

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| Equity Income Fund II.....   | 1,600,000  | 1,600,000  |
| Fidelity Financial Trust Fidelity Convertible Securities Fund.....                     | 13,250,000 | 13,250,000 |
| Forms Series Fund, Inc on behalf of its American Leaders Series.....                   | 50,000     | 50,000     |
| Gaia Offshore Master Fund Ltd.....   | 7,000,000  | 7,000,000  |
| Gary Anderson Marital Living Trust.....  | 200,000    | 200,000    |
| General Motors Employees Global Group Pension Trust.....                               | 3,500,000  | 3,500,000  |
| General Motors Welfare Benefit Trust (LT - VEBA).....                                  | 2,500,000  | 2,500,000  |
| Goldman, Sachs & Co. (1).....  | 63,437,000 | 63,437,000 |
| Grace Brothers, Ltd.....   | 2,500,000  | 2,500,000  |
| Greyhound Lines Inc.....   | 50,000     | 50,000     |
| Guardian Life Insurance Company of America.....  | 10,200,000 | 10,200,000 |
| Guardian Pension Trust.....  | 400,000    | 400,000    |
| Hawaiian Airline Pilots Retirement Plan.....   | 220,000    | 220,000    |
| Hawaiian Airlines Employees Pension Plan - IAM.....                                    | 115,000    | 115,000    |
| Hawaiian Airlines Pension Plan for Salaried Employees.....                             | 25,000     | 25,000     |
| HBK Master Fund L.P.....   | 46,000,000 | 46,000,000 |
| HFR Master Fund, Ltd.....  | 200,000    | 200,000    |
| HFR TQA Master Trust.....  | 100,000    | 100,000    |
| Highbridge International LLC.....  | 25,900,000 | 25,900,000 |
| Hotel Union and Hotel Industry of Hawaii.....  | 490,000    | 490,000    |
| ICI American Holdings Trust.....   | 825,000    | 825,000    |
| Island Holdings.....   | 50,000     | 50,000     |
| ITG Inc.....   | 204,000    | 204,000    |
| Jefferies & Company Inc.....   | 10,000     | 10,000     |
| JMG Capital Partners, LP.....  | 10,500,000 | 10,500,000 |
| Julius Baer Securities, Inc.....   | 450,000    | 450,000    |
| KBC Financial Products USA.....  | 2,000,000  | 2,000,000  |
| Lancer Securities Cayman Ltd.....  | 800,000    | 800,000    |
| LDG Limited.....   | 250,000    | 250,000    |
| Leonardo, L.P.....   | 11,950,000 | 11,950,000 |
| Levco Alternative Fund, Ltd.....   | 3,173,000  | 3,173,000  |
| Lexington Vantage Fund, LTD .....  | 50,000     | 50,000     |
| Lipper Convertibles, L.P.....  | 12,000,000 | 12,000,000 |
| Lumberman's Mutual Casualty.....   | 722,000    | 722,000    |
| Lydian Overseas Partners Master Fund.....  | 35,000,000 | 35,000,000 |
| Lyxor Master Fund.....   | 17,000     | 17,000     |
| Mainstay Convertible Fund.....   | 7,500,000  | 7,500,000  |
| Mainstay VP Convertible Portfolio.....   | 1,000,000  | 1,000,000  |
| McMahan Securities Co. L.P.....  | 174,000    | 174,000    |
| Merrill Lynch, Pierce Fenner & Smith, Inc. (1).....                                    | 450,000    | 450,000    |
| Morgan Stanley & Co. (1).....  | 350,000    | 350,000    |
| Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Convertible Securities Trust (1).....                       | 3,000,000  | 3,000,000  |
| Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.....   | 46,000     | 46,000     |
| Nalco Chemical Company.....  | 260,000    | 260,000    |
| Nationwide Separate Account Trust, on behalf of its Nationwide Equity Income Fund..... | 800,000    | 800,000    |
| Navigator Offshore Fund Ltd.....   | 2,483,000  | 2,483,000  |
| Navigator Partners LP.....   | 690,000    | 690,000    |
| Navigator Special Partners L.P.....  | 213,000    | 213,000    |
| Nicholas Applegate Convertible Fund.....   | 2,291,000  | 2,291,000  |
| Nomura International PLC London.....   | 9,000,000  | 9,000,000  |
| Northern Income Equity Fund.....   | 1,000,000  | 1,000,000  |
| Ohio National Fund, Inc., on behalf of its Blue Chip Portfolio.....                    | 50,000     | 50,000     |
| Ohio National Fund, Inc., on behalf of its Equity Income Portfolio.....                | 130,000    | 130,000    |
| Onex Industrial Partners Limited.....  | 3,350,000  | 3,350,000  |
| Oppenheimer Convertible Securities Fund.....   | 6,000,000  | 6,000,000  |
| OZ Master Fund, Ltd.....   | 6,000,000  | 6,000,000  |
| Pacific Life Insurance Company.....  | 1,000,000  | 1,000,000  |

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| Palladin Securities LLC.....   | 500,000    | 500,000    |
| Park Avenue Life Insurance Company.....  | 100,000    | 100,000    |
| Parker-Hannifin Corporation.....   | 79,000     | 79,000     |
| Pebble Capital, Inc.....   | 1,350,000  | 1,350,000  |
| Pell Rudman Trust Company.....   | 1,550,000  | 1,550,000  |
| Peoples Benefit Life Insurance Company TEAMSTERS<br>separate account.....            | 3,750,000  | 3,750,000  |
| PGEP III LLC.....  | 500,000    | 500,000    |
| PHEP IV, Inc.....  | 116,000    | 116,000    |
| Physicians Life.....   | 549,000    | 549,000    |
| PRIM Board.....  | 3,115,000  | 3,115,000  |
| Primerica Life Insurance Company.....  | 1,503,000  | 1,503,000  |
| Principal Investors Fund, Inc on behalf of its Partners<br>Large Cap Blend Fund..... | 40,000     | 40,000     |
| Purchase Associates, L.P.....  | 1,103,000  | 1,103,000  |
| Putnam Asset Allocation Funds - Balanced Portfolio.....                              | 447,000    | 447,000    |
| Putnam Asset Allocation Funds - Conservative Portfolio.....                          | 508,000    | 508,000    |
| Putnam Convertible Income - Growth Trust.....  | 4,500,000  | 4,500,000  |
| Putnam Convertible Opportunities and Income Trust.....                               | 114,000    | 114,000    |
| Quattro Fund Ltd.....  | 3,000,000  | 3,000,000  |
| Queens Health Plan.....  | 85,000     | 85,000     |
| R(2) Investments, LDC.....   | 42,000,000 | 42,000,000 |
| Ramius Capital Group.....  | 1,500,000  | 1,500,000  |
| RCG Latitude Master Fund.....  | 750,000    | 750,000    |
| RCG Multi Strategy LP.....   | 300,000    | 300,000    |
| Retail Clerks Pension Trust.....   | 3,000,000  | 3,000,000  |
| Retail Clerks Pension Trust #2.....  | 2,000,000  | 2,000,000  |
| Sage Capital.....  | 3,850,000  | 3,850,000  |
| Salomon Smith Barney Inc (1).....  | 1,030,000  | 1,030,000  |
| San Diego City Retirement.....   | 1,371,000  | 1,371,000  |
| San Diego County Convertible.....  | 2,960,000  | 2,960,000  |
| San Diego County Employees Retirement Association.....                               | 1,900,000  | 1,900,000  |
| Screen Actors Guild Pension Convertible.....   | 745,000    | 745,000    |
| Silvercreek Limited Partnership.....   | 3,038,000  | 3,038,000  |
| St. Albans Partners Ltd.....   | 5,000,000  | 5,000,000  |
| Starvest Combined Portfolio.....   | 1,000,000  | 1,000,000  |
| State of Oregon - Equity.....  | 5,025,000  | 5,025,000  |
| State of Oregon/SAIF Corporation.....  | 9,785,000  | 9,785,000  |
| SunAmerica Series Trust, on behalf of its Federated<br>Value Portfolio.....          | 1,000,000  | 1,000,000  |
| TCI Bresnan LLC.....   | 0          | N/A        |
| TCID of Michigan, Inc.....   | 0          | N/A        |
| TCW Group, Inc.....  | 12,075,000 | 12,075,000 |
| The Class IC Company, Ltd.....   | 3,000,000  | 3,000,000  |
| The Estate of James Campbell.....  | 356,000    | 356,000    |
| The James Campbell Corporation.....  | 306,000    | 306,000    |
| The Travelers Indemnity Company.....   | 4,956,000  | 4,956,000  |
| The Travelers Insurance Company - Life.....  | 2,548,000  | 2,548,000  |
| The Travelers Insurance Company Separate Account TLAC.....                           | 289,000    | 289,000    |
| The Travelers Life and Annuity Company.....  | 304,000    | 304,000    |
| TQA Master Plus Fund, Ltd.....   | 1,000,000  | 1,000,000  |
| TQA Masterfund, Ltd.....   | 3,650,000  | 3,650,000  |
| Travelers Series Trust Convertible Bond Portfolio.....                               | 400,000    | 400,000    |
| Tribeca Investments LLC.....   | 27,500,000 | 27,500,000 |
| UBS AG London Branch.....  | 14,000,000 | 14,000,000 |
| UBS O'Connor LLC (f/b/o UBS Global Equity<br>Arbitrage Master, Ltd.).....            | 10,000,000 | 10,000,000 |
| UBS Warburg LLC.....   | 3,500,000  | 3,500,000  |
| University of Rochester.....   | 43,000     | 43,000     |
| Value Line Convertible Fund, Inc.....  | 500,000    | 500,000    |
| Value Realization Fund, LP.....  | 11,675,000 | 11,675,000 |
| Van Kampen Harbor Fund.....  | 3,000,000  | 3,000,000  |

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| Viacom Inc. Pension Plan Master Trust .....  | 68,000    | 68,000    |
| Wake Forest University.....  | 1,296,000 | 1,296,000 |
| Wasserstein Perella Securities Inc.....  | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| White River Securities L.L.C.....  | 5,000,000 | 5,000,000 |
| Worldwide Transactions, Ltd.....   | 51,000    | 51,000    |
| Writers Guild Convertible.....   | 435,000   | 435,000   |
| Wyoming State Treasurer.....   | 1,496,000 | 1,496,000 |
| Yield Strategies Fund LLP.....   | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Zazove Hedged Convertible Fund, LP.....  | 1,070,000 | 1,070,000 |
| Zazove Income Fund LP.....   | 1,410,000 | 1,410,000 |
| ZCM/HFR Index Management, L.L.C. (f/k/a Zurich HFR Master<br>Hedge Fund Index Ltd.)..... | 100,000   | 100,000   |
| Zeneca AG Products, Inc.....   | 150,000   | 150,000   |
| Zeneca Holdings Trust.....   | 375,000   | 375,000   |
| Zeneca HFR Master Hedge Fund Index LTD.....  | 3,200,000 | 3,200,000 |
| Zurich Institutional Benchmarks Master Fund Ltd.....                                     | 770,000   | 770,000   |

1. These entities and/or their affiliates have provided, and may from time to time provide, investment banking services to Charter Communications, Inc. and its subsidiaries, including, among other things, acting as lead and/or co-manager with respect to offerings of debt and equity securities.
2. Represents the number of shares of Class A common stock for which the selling securityholders may exchange their Class A Preferred Units in CC VIII, LLC and an indeterminate number of shares issuable upon such exchange, as such number may be adjusted under certain circumstances.

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SEE "RISK FACTORS" BEGINNING ON PAGE 3 OF THE PROSPECTUS TO READ ABOUT IMPORTANT FACTORS YOU SHOULD CONSIDER BEFORE BUYING THE CONVERTIBLE SENIOR NTOES OR SHARES OF OUR CLASS A COMMON STOCK.

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The date of this prospectus supplement is February 25, 2003.