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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * McAdam Lowell C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

INC [VZ]

(Month/Day/Year) 03/19/2012

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

Chairman and CEO

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC., 140 WEST STREET, 29TH **FLOOR**

(First)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

NEW YORK, NY 10007

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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. Transac Code (Instr. 8		5. Number of orDerivative 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
Phantom Stock (unitized)	(1)	03/19/2012		A		1,526.564		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	437
Phantom Stock (unitized)	<u>(1)</u>	03/20/2012		A		3,124.069		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	894

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
McAdam Lowell C VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC. 140 WEST STREET, 29TH FLOOR NEW YORK NY 10007	X		Chairman and CEO				

Signatures

William L. Horton, Jr., Attorney-in-fact for Lowell C. McAdam

03/21/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of a portion of one share of common stock and is settled in cash. The shares of phantom stock become payable upon events established by the reporting person in accordance with the deferred compensation plan.

Date

(2) Includes phantom stock acquired through dividend reinvestment.

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