

Chestnutt Roy H
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FORM 4

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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 *
Chestnutt Roy H

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10007

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/08/2013

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
EVP - Strat, Dev and Plng

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	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. 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)	8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units - 2013-2015 Award Cycle	<u>(1)</u>	03/08/2013		A	19,809	<u>(1)</u> <u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	19,809

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Chestnutt Roy H VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC. 140 WEST STREET, 29TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10007			EVP - Strat, Dev and Plng	

Signatures

William L. Horton, Jr., Attorney-in-fact for Roy H. Chestnutt
03/12/2013

__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).
- Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents the right to receive one share of common stock, plus accrued dividends, on the payment date (1) following the date the RSU vests, unless deferred into the reporting person's deferred compensation plan account at the election of the reporting person. Subject to the terms of the Restricted Stock Unit Agreement, each RSU will vest on December 31, 2015.
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