

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS INC /MO/
Form 8-K
November 14, 2005

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 14, 2005

Charter Communications, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

000-27927	43-1857213
<i>(Commission File Number)</i>	<i>(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)</i>

**12405 Powerscourt Drive
St. Louis, Missouri 63131**

(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

(314) 965-0555

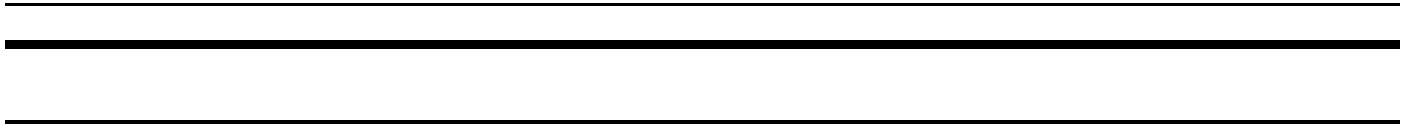
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

On November 14, 2005, Charter Communications, Inc. ("Charter"), executed an employment agreement with Grier C. Raclin, effective as of October 10, 2005. The agreement provides that Mr. Raclin shall be employed in an executive capacity as Executive Vice President and General Counsel with management responsibility for Charter's legal affairs, governmental affairs, compliance and regulatory functions and to perform such other legal, executive, managerial and administrative duties as are assigned or delegated by the Chief Executive Officer or the equivalent position, at a salary of \$425,000, to be reviewed on an annual basis. The agreement also provides for a one time signing bonus of \$200,000, the grant of 50,000 restricted shares, an option to purchase 100,000 shares of Charter common stock under the Incentive Stock Plan, an option to purchase 145,800 shares of Charter common stock under the Long Term Incentive portion of the Incentive Stock Plan, and 62,775 performance shares under the Incentive Stock Plan. He shall be eligible to participate in the incentive bonus plan, the 2005 Executive Cash Award Plan, and to receive such other employee benefits as are available to other senior executives. The term of this agreement is two years from the effective date of the agreement. In the event that Mr. Raclin is terminated by Charter without "cause" or by Mr. Raclin for "good reason," as those terms are defined in the employment agreement, Raclin will receive (a), if such termination occurs before the first scheduled payout of the executive cash award plan (unless that failure is due to his failure to execute the required related agreement), or at any time within one year after a change of control as defined in the agreement, two (2) time his salary or (b) if such termination occurs at any other time, his salary for the remainder of the term of the agreement or twelve months' salary, whichever is greater; a pro rata bonus for the year of termination; a lump sum payment equal to payments due under COBRA for the greater of twelve months or the number of full months remaining in the term of the agreement; and the vesting of options and restricted stock for as long as severance payments are made. The employment agreement contains a one-year non-compete provision (or until the end of the term of the agreement, if longer) in a Competitive Business, as such term is defined in the agreements, and two-year non-solicitation clauses. Mr. Raclin is entitled to relocation assistance pursuant to Charter's executive homeowner relocation plan and the costs for temporary housing until he consummates the purchase of a home in the St. Louis area or August 16, 2006, whichever occurs first.

The full text of Mr. Raclin's employment agreement is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

The following exhibit is filed pursuant to Item 1.01:

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Employment Agreement of Grier C. Raclin.*

* Filed herewith.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Charter Communications, Inc. has duly caused this Current Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Registrant

Dated: November 14, 2005

By:/s/ Paul E. Martin

Name: Paul E. Martin

Title: Senior Vice President,
Interim Chief Financial Officer,
Principal Accounting Officer and
Corporate Controller
(Principal Financial Officer and
Principal Accounting Officer)

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