

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)  
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(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC., 140 WEST STREET, 29TH FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/14/2014

(Street)  
 NEW YORK, NY 10007

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/14/2014		M	34,185 A	(\$ 53,144	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2014		F	17,725 D	\$ 46.51 35,419	D	
Common Stock					470	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 - 2011-13 Award Cycle	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2014		M	37,983	02/14/2014	02/14/2014	Common Stock	37,983

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Stratton John G VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC. 140 WEST STREET, 29TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10007			EVP & Pres. - VZ Enter. Solns.	

## Signatures

William L. Horton, Jr., Attorney-in-fact for John G. Stratton  
Date: 02/25/2014

\_\_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. The reporting person elected to defer 10% of the RSUs into the deferred compensation plan.

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