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VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC

Form 8-K January 16, 2003

UNITED STATES

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: January 16, 2003 (Date of earliest event reported)

VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. E

1-8606

1095 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 395-2121

Not applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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- (c) Exhibits.
 - 12 Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Verizon Communications Inc.
----(Registrant)

Date: January 16, 2003 /s/ John F. Killian

John F. Killian

Senior Vice President and Controller

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit
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