CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS INC /MO/ Form 8-K

September 30, 2008

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): September 26, 2008

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

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act

(17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))	
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))	

ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.

(a) Effective September 29, 2008, Jonathan L. Dolgen resigned as a member of the Board of Directors of Charter Communications, Inc. (the "Company").

Attached as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of the press release announcing Mr. Dolgen's resignation.

On September 26, 2008, Neil Smit, President and Chief Executive Officer, and the Company agreed to a restatement and amendment of his employment agreement, effective as of July 1, 2008. Terms of the restated and amended employment agreement include the extension of the term of the agreement to June 30, 2010; an increase in his salary to \$1,500,000 from \$1,200,000; an increase in his target bonus from 150% of annual base salary to 200% of annual base salary; and an increase in the maximum bonus payout to 125% of the target bonus in 2008, but not less than 125% and not more than 200% of the target bonus in 2009 and 2010. He will receive a signing bonus of \$2,000,000, payable upon signing of the restated and amended agreement, provided that in the event Mr. Smit terminates his employment prior to 12/31/09, the Company will be entitled to full repayment of the signing bonus; and in the event that Mr. Smit terminates prior to 6/30/10, but after 12/31/09, then 50% of the signing bonus is repayable. He will continue to participate in the Company's Executive Cash Award Plan. The vesting of Mr. Smit's incentive awards from 2007 and 2008 are accelerated to vest at June 30, 2010, the termination date of the restated and amended employment agreement, and the incentive awards to be granted in 2009 and 2010 will vest at various times partially depending upon the achievement of financial targets, all as set forth in the restated and amended employment agreement. Each annual equity award in 2009 and 2010 shall have the aggregate fair value on the grant date of \$6,000,000. He is eligible to participate in other employee benefit plans, programs and arrangements available generally to other senior executives. In the event that Mr. Smit is terminated without "Cause" or "Good Reason" (as those terms are defined in the restated and amended employment agreement), he will be entitled to a lump sum payment equal to 3 times the sum of (a) his annualized salary plus (b) 200% of his annualized salary; accelerated vesting of his equity awards under the Company's Stock Incentive Plan; and, a lump sum payment equal to 36 months of COBRA payments.

The restated and amended employment agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

The following exhibits are filed pursuant to Item 5.02:

Exhibit

Number Description

10.1* Restated and amended employment agreement.
99.1* Press Release dated September 29, 2008.

* 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: September 29, 2008

By:/s/ Kevin D. Howard Name: Kevin D. Howard

Title: Vice President, Controller and Chief Accounting

Officer

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