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): January 28, 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

(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)

ITEM 1.01. ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

Mr. Derek Chang, Executive Vice President - Finance and Strategy and Interim co-Chief Financial Officer of Charter Communications, Inc. ("Charter"), is employed under the terms contained in an offer letter with Charter effective December 2, 2003 (filed as an exhibit to the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003) providing for an annual base salary of \$400,000 and eligibility for an annual incentive target of 100% of the base salary (based on a combination of personal performance goals and overall company performance). Mr. Chang is also eligible to participate in Charter's 2001 Stock Incentive Plan. Under this plan, Mr. Chang was granted 350,000 options to purchase shares of Charter's Class A common stock and 50,000 restricted shares on December 9, 2003. Mr. Chang is also entitled to participate in Charter's LTIP. Mr. Chang's agreement provides that one half of each of his unvested restricted shares would immediately vest, and one half of his unvested options of the initial option grant would vest if he is terminated without cause or if he elects to terminate his employment due to (1) a change in Charter's then-current Chief Executive Officer, (2) a change in reporting relationship to anyone other than the Chief Executive Officer, (3) a requirement that the employee relocate, or (4) a change of control of Charter, if terminated without cause. In addition, Mr. Chang would be entitled to eighteen months of full severance benefits at his current compensation rate, plus the pro rata portion of his bonus amounts within thirty days after termination because of any of these events. In light of the recent resignation of Mr. Vogel, the registrant's former Chief Executive Officer, Charter and Mr. Chang have agreed that Mr. Chang will have until April 15, 2005 to exercise his right to terminate his employment and receive the foregoing vesting, severance and other benefits. A letter setting forth this agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

Exhibit

Number <u>Description</u>

99.1 Agreement dated as of January 28, 2005.*

* furnished 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.

<u>CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,</u> Registrant

Dated: January 28, 2005

By: <u>/s/ Paul E. Martin</u> Name: Paul E. Martin

Title: Interim Co-Chief Financial Officer, Senior Vice President and Controller

(Co-Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)

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January 27, 2005

Derek Chang Charter Communications 6399 S. Fiddler's Green Circle Sixth Floor Greenwood Village, CO 80111

Dear Derek:

Reference is hereby made to that certain offer letter dated December 2, 2003 between Charter Communications, Inc. (the "Company") and yourself (the "Offer Letter"). The Letter provides that you have the right to terminate your employment with Charter upon the occurrence of certain specified events, including "a change in the current CEO" (the "Termination Right"). The Offer Letter does not contain express provisions for a specific time by which the Termination Right must be exercised.

By your signature on this letter, you agree with the Company that you shall have until the end of April 15, 2005 to exercise the Termination Right. This letter is in addition to the rights and benefits contained in the Offer Letter, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Robert P. May
Name: Robert P. May
Title: Interim President and
Chief Executive Officer

Accepted and agreed this 28th day of January 2005

<u>/s/ Derek Chang</u> Derek Chang

cc: Robert P. May