METROPCS COMMUNICATIONS INC

Form 8-K March 13, 2008

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 (date of earliest event reported): March 7, 2008
METROPCS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

DELAWARE 1-33409 20-0836269

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2250 Lakeside Boulevard Richardson, Texas

75082

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 214-570-5800

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

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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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 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Stock Option Grants

On March 7, 2008, the MetroPCS Communications, Inc. (the Company) Board of Directors approved stock option grants to certain executive officers of the Company under the Amended and Restated MetroPCS Communications, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Compensation Plan (the 2004 Plan) as follows:

Name	Position	Number of Options	Vesting Schedule ¹
Roger D. Linquist	President and Chief Executive Officer	1,245,000	4 years
Thomas C. Keys	Chief Operating Officer	565,120	4 years
J. Braxton Carter	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	250,000	4 years
Mark A. Stachiw	Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary	185,000	4 years
Robert A. Young	Senior Vice President, Market Operations, Northeast	130,000	4 years
Malcolm L. Lorang	Senior Vice President and Chief Technology Officer	32,500	1 year ²

All of the stock option grants approved by the Board of Directors on March 7, 2008 have an exercise price equal to the closing price of the Company s common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on that date, \$16.20 per share.

2008 Annual Cash Incentive Performance Awards

On March 7, 2008, the Company s Board of Directors approved cash performance awards for fiscal year 2008 under the 2004 Plan based on 2008 business metrics approved by the Board of Directors. These performance awards will be paid in early 2009 to Company executive officers, including the named executive officers, based on individual and Company performance against the 2008 approved metrics as described below.

Unless otherwise indicated. (i) one quarter of the options vest and become exercisable on March 7, 2009 (ii) beginning on March 7, 2009, 1/36 of the remaining options vest and become exercisable on the seventh day of each

successive month.

With respect to this grant, beginning on April 7, 2008, 1/12 of the options vest and become exercisable on the seventh day of each successive month.

The following table sets forth the Board of Director approved weighting, shown as a percentage of the total cash performance award, of the individual measures and the company/team performance measures that will be used to determine cash performance award payments to the Company s executive officers, including the named executive officers, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2008:

2008 Measures		Percentage of Cash Performance Award
	Gross margin	
	Adjusted EBITDA per average subscriber	
Company/team	Net additions	70%
performance	Capital expenditures per ending subscriber	
	New market milestones	
	Discretionary	
Individual performance	•	30%

The Board of Directors also approved targets for the individual performance and company/team performance measures that would result in varying levels of cash payments under the cash performance awards. The following table sets forth the target and maximum payment opportunities for cash performance awards to the named executive officers previously approved by the Board of Directors as a percentage of annual base salary at corresponding levels of performance against the Company s goals for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2008:

		2008 Cash Performance Award Payout Level Based on Goal Achievement Maximum	
		At 100% (Target)	performance
Roger D. Linquist	President and Chief Executive Officer	140% of base salary	280% of base salary
Thomas C. Keys	Chief Operating Officer	85% of base salary	170% of base salary
J. Braxton Carter	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	75% of base salary	150% of base salary
Mark A. Stachiw	Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary	75% of base salary	150% of base salary
Robert A. Young	Senior Vice President, Market Operations, Northeast	75% of base salary	150% of base salary
Malcolm L. Lorang	Senior Vice President and Chief Technology Officer	65% of base salary	130% of base salary

SIGNATURES

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 hereunto duly authorized.

METROPCS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Date: March 13, 2008 By: /s/ J. Braxton Carter

J. Braxton Carter

Executive Vice President and CFO