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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14D-9

(Rule 14d-101)

SOLICITATION/RECOMMENDATION STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(4) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

(Name of Subject Company)

NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

(Name of Person(s) Filing Statement)

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share (Title of Class of Securities)

65333U 10 4 (CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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