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Preliminary Pricing Supplement No. 9 - Dated Monday, August 7, 2017 (To: Prospectus dated September 1, 2016 and Prospectus Supplement Dated: May 15, 2017)

| Principal | a | Gross | Net | Coupon | Coupon | Coupon | Maturity | 1st Coupon | 1st Coupon | Survivor | S |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|------------------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|--------------------------------|--------|
| Amount | Selling Price | Concession | Proceeds | Type | Rate | Frequency | Date | Date | Amount | Option |] |
| | 100.00 % | | [] | | | Semi-Annual | | 02/15/2018 | \$18.29 | Yes | Seni |
| | | | | | | ereafter with : | | | | | |
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| [] | 100.00 % | 3.150 % | [] | Fixed | 4.800 % | Semi-Annual | 08/15/2047 | 02/15/2018 | \$23.73 | Yes | Seni |
| <u>Informatio</u> | <u>n</u> : Callabl | le at 100% o | on 8/15/202 | 2 and an | y time the | ereafter with | 30 Calendar | · Days Notice | ·• | | |
| munications | Inc. | | Offering I | Date: Mor | ıday, Aug | ust 7, 2017 thr | ough Monda | y, August 14, | , 2017 | Verizo | on Cor |
| Way e, New Jerse | ey 07920-1 | 1097 | Settle Date | e: Thursd | ay, Augus | t 14, 2017 @ 1 st 17, 2017 rements: \$1,00 | | | is dated Septe | | |
| | | | | | | ear SDFS: DT Dain Rausche | | y only | | | |
| | | | Joint Lead | l Manageı | r and Leac | d Agent: Incap | ital | | | | |
| | | | Agents: B Advisors | ofA Merr | ill Lynch, | , Citigroup, Mo | organ Stanley | y, RBC Capita | al Markets, W | ⁷ ells Fargo | |
| | | | public offer agency ba price. Note | ering prices sis for not es purcha | e set forth n-level fea sed by the | l-fee accounts, in this Pricing e client account e Agents for thable concession | g Supplement ts shall purcheir own acco | t. Agents purchase Notes at unt may be po | chasing Notes the public of urchased at th | s on an fering ne public | |

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level-fee accounts may be sold to such accounts at the applicable concession to the public offering price, in which case, such Agents will not retain any portion of the sales price as compensation.

If the maturity date or an interest payment date for any note is not a business day (as defined in the prospectus supplement), principal, premium, if any, and interest for that note is paid on the next business day, and no interest will accrue from, and after, the maturity date or interest payment date.

The Verizon InterNotes® will be represented by a Master Note in fully registered form, without coupons. The Master Note will be deposited with, or on behalf of, DTC and registered in the name of a nominee of DTC, as depository, or another depository as may be named in a subsequent pricing supplement.