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Principal	Selling Price	Gross	Net	Coupon	Coupon	Coupon	Maturity	1st Coupon	1st Coupon	Survivor	S
Amount		Concession	Proceeds	Type	Rate	Frequency	Date	Date	Amount	Option]
[]	100.00 %	1.800 %	[]	Fixed	3.500 %	Semi-Annual	08/15/2027	02/15/2018	\$17.99	Yes	Seni
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[]	100.00 %	3.150 %	[]	Fixed	4.800 %	Semi-Annual	08/15/2047	02/15/2018	\$24.67	Yes	Seni
Information: Callable at 100% on 8/15/2022 and any time thereafter with 30 Calendar Days Notice.											
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Way e, New Jersey 07920-1097			Trade Date: Monday, August 7, 2017 @ 12:00 PM ET Settle Date: Thursday, August 10, 2017 Minimum Denomination/Increments: \$1,000.00/\$1,000.00 Supplement Date: Verizon Prospectus dated September 1, 2016 and Supplement Date: Supplement Date: Prospectus dated September 1, 2016 and September 2, 2016 and Septemb								
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			Joint Lead Manager and Lead Agent: Incapital								
			Agents: B Advisors	ofA Merr	ill Lynch,	Citigroup, Mo	organ Stanley	y, RBC Capita	al Markets, W	Vells Fargo	
			public offe agency ba price. Not	ering pric sis for no es purcha	e set forth n-level fea sed by the	l-fee accounts, in this Pricing e client accourte Agents for the	g Supplemen nts shall purc eir own acco	t. Agents purchase Notes at bunt may be p	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.

Recent Developments

On July 27, 2017, we announced our unaudited preliminary results for the second quarter 2017 and the six months ended June 30, 2017. For the second quarter 2017, we reported net income attributable to Verizon of \$4.4 billion, or \$1.07 per diluted share, compared with net income of \$702 million, or \$0.17 per diluted share, in the second quarter 2016. For the six months ended June 30, 2017, we reported net income attributable to Verizon of \$7.8 billion, or \$1.91 per diluted share, compared with net income of \$5.0 billion, or \$1.23 per diluted share, for the six months ended June 30, 2016. Reported earnings include special items such as actuarial gains or losses arising from the remeasurement of pension and other postretirement benefit plans, severance costs, net gain on sale of divested businesses, gain on sale of spectrum license transaction, acquisition and integration related costs, and early debt redemption costs.

During the second quarter 2017, consolidated operating revenues were \$30.5 billion, an increase of 0.1% compared to the second quarter 2016. Consolidated operating revenues for the six months ended June 30, 2017 were \$60.4 billion, a decrease of 3.7% compared to the corresponding period in 2016.

Total operating expenses were \$22.3 billion in the second quarter 2017 and \$44.9 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2017, a decrease of 14.1% and 10.5%, respectively, from the corresponding periods in 2016.

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Total operating revenues from our Wireless segment were \$21.3 billion for the second quarter 2017 and \$42.2 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2017, a decrease of 1.9% and 3.5%, respectively, from the corresponding periods in 2016. Wireless total operating expenses were \$13.9 billion for the second quarter 2017 and \$27.7 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2017, an increase of 1.4% and a decrease 0.5%, respectively, from the corresponding periods in 2016. Total operating revenues from our Wireline segment were \$7.8 billion for the second quarter 2017 and \$15.6 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2017, an increase of 1.2% and 0.3%, respectively, from the corresponding periods in 2016. Wireline total operating expenses were \$7.7 billion for the second quarter 2017 and \$15.3 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2017, a decrease of 6.1% and 5.5%, respectively, from the corresponding periods in 2016.

Cash flows from operating activities were \$9.9 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2017, compared with \$12.9 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2016. For the six months ended June 30, 2017, net cash used in investing activities was \$9.9 billion, including \$7.0 billion in capital expenditures, compared with \$2.7 billion net cash provided by investing activities for the six months ended June 30, 2016. Net cash provided by financing activities was \$1.7 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2016, compared with \$17.2 billion net cash used in financing activities for the six months ended June 30, 2016. Our total debt increased by \$9.5 billion compared with December 31, 2016, to \$117.5 billion at June 30, 2017.