



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): July 22, 2013

GENERAL COMMUNICATION, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

State of Alaska

(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation
or organization)

0-15279

Commission File Number

92-0072737

(I.R.S Employer
Identification No.)

**2550 Denali Street
Suite 1000
Anchorage, Alaska**

(Address of principal executive offices)

99503

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (907) 868-5600

NONE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

Alaska Communications and General Communication, Inc. issued a press release to announce that the companies have completed the previously announced transaction to form The Alaska Wireless Network, LLC.

Item 9.01 – Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release issued by Alaska Communications and General Communication, Inc. on July 22, 2013

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.

GENERAL COMMUNICATION, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: July 23, 2013

By: /s/ John M. Lowber

Name: John M. Lowber

Title: Senior Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer
and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer)

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Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release issued by Alaska Communications and General Communication, Inc. on July 22, 2013

JOINT MEDIA RELEASE**Alaska Communications and GCI Announce Closing of
The Alaska Wireless Network, LLC***Venture to Offer Alaskans Best Wireless Experience in Alaska*

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, July 22, 2013 (BUSINESS WIRE) – Alaska Communications (NASDAQ: ALSK) and General Communication, Inc. (“GCI”) (NASDAQ:GNCMA) today announced the companies have completed the previously announced transaction to form The Alaska Wireless Network, LLC (“AWN”).

Alaska Communications and GCI, leading wireless providers in Alaska, have each contributed their respective wireless assets, including spectrum licenses, cell sites, backhaul facility usage rights, and other assets necessary for AWN to design, build, and operate a statewide wireless network. From the start, AWN’s network will cover more of Alaska’s population than the network of any other wireless provider. AWN will provide the latest wireless services, including LTE, to its owners, Alaska Communications and GCI. Alaska Communications and GCI will independently sell these services to their respective retail customers and continue to operate as competitors in Alaska.

“The wireless business is capital intensive, requires scale to compete successfully against national carriers, and demands more spectrum than either of our two companies individually owns,” said Alaska Communications President and CEO Anand Vadapalli and GCI President and CEO Ron Duncan. “By combining our respective wireless assets, we can provide a state-of-the-art Alaska wireless network owned and operated by Alaskans for Alaskans. We believe that The Alaska Wireless Network will provide the fastest, most geographically extensive, and most reasonably priced wireless services for Alaska subscribers, allowing us each to compete more effectively in the retail market.”

Under the transaction, Alaska Communications owns one third and GCI owns two thirds of AWN. Under the terms of the agreement, Alaska Communications will receive \$100 million cash and is eligible to receive preferred distributions totaling up to \$190 million over the first four years of operation. GCI will receive all remaining available distributions over the first four years. Distributions thereafter will be on a pro rata ownership basis.

Evercore acted as financial advisor to Alaska Communications, with The Stephens Group providing an additional fairness opinion.

About Alaska Communications

Alaska Communications is a leading provider of advanced broadband solutions for businesses and consumers in Alaska. We operate a highly reliable, advanced statewide data and voice network with the latest technology and the most diverse undersea fiber optic system connecting Alaska to the contiguous United States. For more information, visit www.alaskacomunications.com or www.alsk.com.

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About GCI

A pioneer in bundled services, GCI is a top provider of voice, data, and video services to Alaska consumers with a 70 percent share of the consumer broadband market. GCI is also the leading provider of communications services to enterprise customers, particularly large enterprise customers with complex data networking needs. More information about GCI can be found at www.gci.com.

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Forward-Looking Statements

This joint release includes certain "forward-looking statements," as that term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are based on management's beliefs as well as on a number of assumptions concerning future events made using information currently available to management. Readers are cautioned not to put undue reliance on such forward-looking statements, which are not a guarantee of performance and are subject to a number of uncertainties and other factors, many of which are outside Alaska Communications' or GCI's control. For further information regarding risks and uncertainties associated with either company's business, please refer to either Alaska Communications' or GCI's SEC filings.

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