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#### March 17, 2003

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

( ) Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

Leonard Tow

Three High Ridge Park

CT, Stamford 06905

- Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Citizens Communications Company (CZN)
- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year

5/16/2002

- 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year) 5/16/2002
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) (X) Director ( ) 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other (specify below)

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
  - (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
  - ( ) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

| Table I Non-Derivative | Securi         | ties A           | Acqui         | red, Disposed                             | of, or         | Bene | eficiall | y Owned   |
|------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|---|----------------|------|----------|---|
| 1. Title of Security   | Tran:<br> <br> | saction<br> <br> | on  <br> <br> | P.Securities Action or Disposed of Amount | of (D)<br>  A/ | ′ I  |          | 5.Amount of<br>  Securities<br>  Beneficially<br>  Owned at<br>  End of Month |
| Common Stock           | 5/16/<br> 2002 |                  |               |   | A<br>          |      |          | 2558601<br>   |
| Common Stock           |                |                  | 1 1           |   | I              |      |          | 1946  |
| Common Stock           |                |                  |               |   |                |      |          | 88  |
| Common Stock           |                |                  |               |   |                |      |          | 16369   |
| Common Stock           |                |                  |               |   |                |      |          | 5394022   |
| Common Stock           |                |                  |               |   | l              |      |          | 1586  |
| Common Stock           |                |                  |               |   |                |      |          | 2806  |
| Common Stock           |                | <br> <br>        |               |   |                |      |          | 32369   |
|                        |                |                  |               |   |                |      |          |   |

Table II -- Derivative Securitites Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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| 1.Title of Derivative Security       |                         | Trans<br> <br> <br> | 4.<br>action<br> <br> <br> <br> | n         | 5.Number of<br>  rivative S<br>  rities Acc<br>  red(A) or<br>  posed of(D | ecu<br>[ui<br>Dis | cisab<br> Expir<br> Date( | le and<br>ation<br>Month/<br>ear) | of U:<br>  Secu<br> |       | ing     | 8.P<br> of<br> vat<br> Sec<br> rit |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|--|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------|------------------------------------|
|                                      | tive<br> Secu-<br> rity | <br> <br> Date      | <br> <br> Code                  | <br>  V   | <br> <br>  Amount  | D                 | cisa-                     | Date                              | of                  |       | Number  |                                    |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) |                         |                     |                                 | <br>      | 150000<br>   | A<br>             |                           | 5/15/<br> 2012                    |                     | Stock | 150000  |                                    |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) |                         | 5/16/<br>  2002     |                                 | <br>      | 500000<br>   |                   | 05/16<br> /2002           |                                   |                     | Stock | 1500000 | <br>                               |
| Formula Plan Options (Right to Buy)  |                         |                     |                                 |           |  |                   | 07/01<br> /2002           |                                   |                     | Stock | 15000   | <br>                               |
| Phantom Stock Units                  | 1 for 1                 |                     |                                 |           | I  |                   | 5                         | 5                                 | Common              | Stock | .       |                                    |
| Phantom Stock Units                  | 1 for 1<br>             | 1/1/<br> 2002       |                                 | <br> <br> | 5000<br>   | A<br>             | 6<br>                     | 6<br>                             | Common              | Stock | 15000   |                                    |
|                                      |                         |                     |                                 |           | <br>   |                   |                           | <br>                              |                     |       |         |                                    |

### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares held directly by Lantern Investment Company LLC. Reporting Person is the sole member.
- 2. Securities held directly by spouse. Reporting Person disclaims any beneficial ownership of securities and any direct or indirect control or voting power over the securities.
- 3. Reporting Person's spouse is custodian for her minor grandchild.
- 4. Shares vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant.
- 5. Units to be settled the day after Reporting Person's retirement.
- 6. Pursuant to Spouse's election to receive Director's Fees in units; units are to be settled after Spouse's retirement.