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## **REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

Rogers Communications Inc. Rogers Communications Partnership (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

British Columbia

Ontario (Province or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

4841

4812

(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)

Not Applicable (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

333 Bloor Street East, 10th Floor Toronto, Ontario M4W 1G9 (416) 935-7777 (Address and telephone number of Registrant's principal executive offices)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale of the securities to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this registration statement.

> Province of Ontario, Canada (Principal jurisdiction regulating this offering)

It is proposed that this filing shall become effective (check appropriate box):

A. o upon filing with the Commission, pursuant to Rule 467(a) (if in connection with an offering being made contemporaneously in the United States and Canada).

B. x at some future date (check appropriate box below):

1.		pursuant to Rule 467(b) on calendar days after filing).	at	(designate a time not sooner than 7
2.		sooner after filing) because th	e secu	(designate a time 7 calendar days or arities regulatory authority in the eipt or notification of clearance on .
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4.	0	after the filing of the next ame material is being filed).	endme	ent to this form (if preliminary

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to the home jurisdiction's shelf prospectus offering procedures, check the following box. x

The Registrants hereby amend this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registration statement shall become effective as provided in Rule 467 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Act, may determine.

# PART I

# INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE DELIVERED TO OFFEREES OR PURCHASERS

#### SHORT FORM BASE SHELF PROSPECTUS

New Issue

February 21, 2014

#### ROGERS COMMUNICATIONS INC.

US\$4,000,000,000 Debt Securities

We may offer from time to time, during the 25-month period that this prospectus, including any amendments hereto, remains valid, debt securities in an aggregate amount not to exceed US\$4,000,000,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency used to denominate the debt securities at the time of offering). These debt securities may consist of debentures, notes or other types of debt and may be issuable in one or more series. The basis for calculating the dollar value of debt securities distributed under this prospectus will be the aggregate principal amount of debt securities that we issue except in the case of any debt securities that are issued at an original issue discount, the dollar value of which will be calculated on the basis of the gross proceeds that we receive.

This offering is made by a foreign issuer that is permitted, under a multijurisdictional disclosure system adopted by the United States, to prepare this prospectus in accordance with the disclosure requirements of its home country. Prospective investors should be aware that such requirements are different from those of the United States. The financial statements included or incorporated herein, if any, have been prepared in accordance with foreign generally accepted accounting principles, and may be subject to foreign auditing and auditor independence standards, and thus may not be comparable to financial statements of United States companies.

Prospective investors should be aware that the acquisition of securities described herein may have tax consequences both in the United States and in the home country of the Registrant. Such consequences for investors who are resident in, or citizens of, the United States may not be described fully herein.

The enforcement by investors of civil liabilities under the federal securities laws may be affected adversely by the fact that the Registrants are organized under the laws of a foreign country, that some or all of our officers and directors may be residents of a foreign country, that some or all of the underwriters or experts named in the registration statement may be residents of a foreign country and that all or a substantial portion of the assets of the Registrants and said persons may be located outside the United States.

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR HAS THE COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The debt securities offered hereby have not been qualified for sale under the securities laws of any province or territory of Canada (other than the Province of Ontario) and, unless otherwise provided in the prospectus supplement relating to a particular issue of debt securities, will not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in Canada or to any resident of Canada except in the Province of Ontario.

The debt securities may be offered separately or together, in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined based on market conditions and other factors. We will provide the specific terms of any debt securities we offer in one or more prospectus supplements which will accompany this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement carefully before you invest. This prospectus may not be used to offer debt securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement.

We may sell debt securities to or through underwriters or dealers purchasing as principals, and may also sell debt securities to one or more purchasers directly or through agents. The prospectus supplement relating to a particular issue of debt securities will identify each underwriter, dealer or agent engaged by us in connection with the offering and sale of that issue, and will set forth the terms of the offering of such issue, including, to the extent applicable, the proceeds to be received by us and any compensation payable to underwriters, dealers or agents.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, each issue of debt securities will be a new issue of debt securities with no established trading market. There is currently no market through which the debt securities may be sold and purchasers may not be able to resell the debt securities purchased under this prospectus. This may affect the pricing of the debt securities in the secondary market, the transparency and availability of trading prices, the liquidity of the debt securities, and the extent of issuer regulation.

The debt securities may be sold from time to time in one or more transactions at a fixed price or prices or at non-fixed prices. If offered on a non-fixed price basis, debt securities may be offered at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices or at prices to be negotiated with purchasers. The price at which the debt securities will be offered and sold may vary from purchaser to purchaser and during the distribution period.

Our head office is located at 333 Bloor Street East, 10th Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M4W 1G9 and our registered office is located at 550 Burrard Street, Suite 2900, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 0A3.

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#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

You should rely only on the information contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement and on other information included in the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. References to this "prospectus" include documents incorporated by reference herein. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different. We are not making an offer of these debt securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted by law.

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Except as set forth under "Description of Debt Securities" or unless the context otherwise requires, in this prospectus (excluding the documents incorporated by reference herein) the terms "RCI", "Company", "we", "us" and "our" refer to Rog Communications Inc. and its subsidiaries, references to "Cdn\$" and "\$" are to Canadian dollars, and references to "U.S. dollars" or "US\$" are to United States dollars.

All information permitted under applicable laws to be omitted from this prospectus will be contained in one or more prospectus supplements that will be delivered to purchasers together with this prospectus. Each prospectus supplement will be incorporated by reference into this prospectus for the purposes of securities legislation as of the date of the prospectus supplement and only for the purposes of the distribution of those debt securities to which the prospectus supplement pertains. We have filed an undertaking with the Ontario Securities Commission that we will not distribute under this prospectus specified derivatives or asset-backed securities that, at the time of distribution, are novel without pre-clearing with the Ontario Securities.

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and are stated in Canadian dollars.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The following documents filed by us with the Ontario Securities Commission under the Securities Act (Ontario) and filed with or furnished to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") by us under the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, are specifically incorporated by reference into, and form an integral part of, this prospectus:

- 1. our annual information form for the year ended December 31, 2013, dated February 14, 2014 (except that any section of such annual information form describing our credit ratings shall not be incorporated by reference into this prospectus);
- 2. our audited consolidated financial statements as at and for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, together with the report of the auditors thereon, and management's discussion and analysis in respect of those statements;
- 3. our management information circular dated March 6, 2013 in connection with our annual meeting of shareholders held on April 23, 2013;
- 4. our material change report filed February 12, 2014 relating to the renewal of our normal course issuer bid for our Class B Non-Voting shares; and
- 5. our material change report filed February 21, 2014 relating to our having secured twenty year licenses for two 12MHz blocks of contiguous, paired lower 700MHz band spectrum.

Any documents of the types referred to above (excluding confidential material change reports), and any business acquisition reports and updated earnings coverage ratio information, filed by us with the Ontario Securities Commission after the date of this short form prospectus and prior to 25 months from the date hereof shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus (except that any section of any annual information form describing our credit ratings shall not be incorporated by reference into this prospectus). In addition, any such documents which are filed with or furnished to the SEC by using our periodic reports on Form 6-K or annual report on Form 40-F (or any respective successor form) after the date of this prospectus shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into

this prospectus and the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part if and to the extent expressly provided in such report.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein, or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein, modifies or supersedes that statement. The modifying or superseding statement need not state that it has modified or superseded a prior statement or include any other information set forth in the document that it modifies or supersedes. The making of a modifying or superseding statement shall not be deemed an admission for any purposes that the modified or superseded statement, when made, constituted a misrepresentation, an untrue statement of a material fact or an omission to state a material fact that is required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances in which it was made. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not constitute a part of this prospectus except as so modified or superseded.

Upon a new annual information form and the related annual audited comparative financial statements and accompanying management's discussion and analysis being filed with and, where required, accepted by, the Ontario Securities Commission during the currency of this prospectus, the previous annual information form, the previous annual audited comparative financial statements and accompanying management's discussion and analysis and all interim financial statements and accompanying management's discussion and analysis, material change reports, information circulars and business acquisition reports filed prior to the commencement of the then current fiscal year will be deemed no longer to be incorporated into this prospectus for purposes of future offers and sales of debt securities hereunder. Upon an interim financial statement and accompanying management's discussion and analysis being filed by us with and, where required, accepted by, the Ontario Securities Commission during the currency of this prospectus, all interim financial statements and accompanying management's discussion and analysis filed prior to the new interim financial statement shall be deemed no longer to be incorporated into this prospectus.

A prospectus supplement containing the specific terms of an offering of the debt securities and, if applicable, updated disclosure of earnings coverage ratios will be delivered to purchasers of such debt securities together with this prospectus and will be deemed to be incorporated into this prospectus as of the date of such prospectus supplement but only for purposes of the offering of debt securities covered by that prospectus supplement. Any "template version" or any "marketing materials" (as such terms are defined in National Instrument 41-101 of the Canadian Securities Administrators) pertaining to an offering of debt securities that is filed by us with the Ontario Securities Commission after the date of the prospectus supplement for that offering and before the termination of the distribution of such debt securities will be deemed to be incorporated by reference into that prospectus supplement.

Information has been incorporated by reference in this prospectus from documents filed with the Ontario Securities Commission. Copies of the documents incorporated herein by reference may be obtained on request without charge from our Secretary at 333 Bloor Street East, 10th Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M4W 1G9, Tel: 416-935-7777. Documents that we have filed with the Ontario Securities Commission may also be obtained over the Internet at the Canadian Securities Administrators' website at www.sedar.com.

## WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act"), a registration statement on Form F-10 relating to the debt securities. This prospectus, which forms a part of the registration statement, does not contain all of the information contained in the registration statement, including the exhibits filed therewith, to which reference is made for further information.

In addition to our continuous disclosure obligations under the securities laws of the provinces of Canada, we are subject to the informational requirements of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and, in accordance therewith, file and furnish reports and other information with or to the SEC. Our recent SEC filings may be obtained over the Internet at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. You may also read and copy any document we file or furnish with or to the SEC at the public reference facilities maintained by the SEC at 100 F Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operations of the public reference facilities and copying charges. Copies of reports and other information concerning us may also be inspected at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005.

## FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

This prospectus (including the documents incorporated by reference herein) includes "forward-looking information", within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities laws, and, "forward-looking statements", within the meaning of

the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (collectively referred to herein as "forward-looking information" or "forward-looking statements"), and assumptions concerning, among other things, our business, its operations and its financial performance and condition. This forward-looking information and these assumptions include, but are not limited to, statements with respect to our objectives and strategies to achieve those objectives, as well as statements with respect to our beliefs, plans, expectations, anticipations, estimates or intentions. This forward-looking information also includes, but is not limited to, forecasts and projections relating to revenue, adjusted operating profit, property, plant and equipment expenditures, cash income tax payments, free cash flow before and after cash income taxes, dividend payments, expected growth in subscribers and the services to which they subscribe, the cost of acquiring and retaining subscribers and the deployment of new services, continued cost reductions and efficiency improvements, the growth of new products and services and our acquisition and subsequent deployment of wireless spectrum described under "Recent Developments" and all other statements that are not historical facts. The words "could", "expect", "may", "anticipate", "assume", "believe", "intend", "estimate", "plan", "project", "guidance", "outloo expressions are intended to identify statements containing forward-looking information, although not all forward-looking statements include such words. Conclusions, forecasts and projections set out in forward-looking information are based on our current objectives, strategies and intentions and on estimates, expectations, assumptions and other factors, most of which are confidential and proprietary, that we believe to be reasonable at the time applied, but may prove to be incorrect, including, but not limited to, general economic and industry growth rates, currency exchange rates, product pricing levels and competitive intensity, subscriber growth, pricing, usage and churn rates, changes in government regulation, technology deployment, availability of devices, the timing of new product launches, content and equipment costs, the integration of acquisitions, industry structure and stability and our finalizing the acquisition and subsequent deployment of wireless spectrum described under "Recent Developments". Except as otherwise indicated, forward-looking information in this prospectus (including the documents incorporated by reference herein) does not reflect the potential impact of any non-recurring or other special items or of any dispositions, monetizations, mergers, acquisitions, other business combinations or other transactions that may be considered or announced or may occur after the date the statement containing the forward-looking information is made.

We caution that all forward-looking information, including any statement regarding our current objectives, strategies and intentions and any factor, assumption, estimate or expectation underlying the forward-looking information, is inherently subject to change and uncertainty and that actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking information. A number of risks, uncertainties and other factors could cause our actual results and future events to differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking information, including, but not limited to:

- $\cdot$  economic conditions,
- · technological change,
- the integration of acquisitions,
- · unanticipated changes in content or equipment costs,
- · changing conditions in the entertainment, information and communications industries,
- · regulatory changes,
- · new interpretations and new accounting standards from accounting standards bodies,
- · litigation and tax matters,
- the level of competitive intensity,
- · the emergence of new opportunities, and
- the post auction distribution of spectrum by Industry Canda.

These risks, uncertainties or other factors can also affect our objectives, strategies and intentions. Many of these factors are beyond our control or our current expectation or knowledge. Should one or more of these risks, uncertainties or other factors materialize, should our objectives, strategies or intentions change, or should any other factors or assumptions underlying the forward-looking information prove incorrect, our actual results and our plans could vary significantly from what we currently foresee. Accordingly, we warn investors to exercise caution when considering statements containing forward-looking information and that it would be unreasonable to rely on such statements as creating any legal rights regarding our future results or plans. We expressly disclaim any obligation to update or alter any statements containing forward-looking information, or the factors or assumptions underlying them, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law. Before making any investment decision in respect of the debt securities and for a detailed discussion of the risks, uncertainties and environment associated with our business, its operations and its financial performance and condition, fully review the disclosure incorporated by reference into and included in this prospectus, including the risks referenced under "Risk Factors".

#### ROGERS COMMUNICATIONS INC.

We are one of Canada's leading diversified communications and media companies. We provide a broad range of services: wireless and wired voice and data communications, cable television, high-speed Internet, telephony, wired telecom and data networking services to consumers and businesses. We also compete in television and radio broadcasting, multi-platform shopping, sports media and entertainment, digital media and consumer, trade and professional publications.

## RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

On February 19, 2014, we secured twenty year licenses for two 12MHz blocks of contiguous, paired lower 700MHz band spectrum located in the key rural and urban locations across Canada. Specifically, Rogers has acquired the A and B 12MHz blocks, in Southern Ontario, Eastern Ontario, Southern Quebec, Eastern Quebec, British Columbia, Alberta, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Rogers has also acquired 12MHz of C block spectrum in Northern Quebec, Northern Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Our cash investment to acquire this spectrum will total C\$3.29 billion.

## CONSOLIDATED CAPITALIZATION

There have been no material changes in our share and loan capital, on a consolidated basis, since December 31, 2013 to the date of this prospectus.

## USE OF PROCEEDS

Any net proceeds that we expect to receive from the issue of debt securities will be set forth in a prospectus supplement. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, the net proceeds of an offering will be used for any one or more of debt repayment, working capital, acquisitions or other general corporate purposes. We may, from time to time, incur additional debt other than through the issue of debt securities pursuant to this prospectus.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We may offer and sell debt securities, for cash or other consideration, to or through one or more underwriters or dealers purchasing as principals, and also may sell debt securities to one or more purchasers directly or through agents. The distribution of debt securities may be effected from time to time in one or more transactions at a fixed price or prices or at non-fixed prices. If offered on a non-fixed price basis, the debt securities may be offered at market prices prevailing at the time of sale or at prices related to such prevailing market prices or at prices to be negotiated with purchasers. The price at which debt securities will be offered and sold may vary from purchaser to purchaser and during the distribution period.

The prospectus supplement with respect to any debt securities being offered will set forth the terms of the offering of those debt securities, including:

- the name or names of any underwriters, dealers or other placement agents,
- the purchase price of, and form of consideration for, those debt securities and the proceeds to us from such sale,

- any delayed delivery arrangements,
- any underwriting discounts or commissions and other items constituting underwriters' compensation,
  - any offering price (or the manner of determination thereof if offered on a non-fixed price basis),
    - any discounts, commissions or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers, and
      - any securities exchanges on which those debt securities may be listed.

Only the underwriters named in a prospectus supplement are deemed to be underwriters in connection with debt securities offered by that prospectus supplement.

If so indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, we may authorize dealers or other persons acting as our agents to solicit offers by certain institutions to purchase the offered debt securities directly from us pursuant to contracts providing for payment and delivery on a future date. These contracts will be subject only to the conditions set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement which will also set forth the commission payable for solicitation of these contracts.

The debt securities offered hereby have not been qualified for sale under the securities laws of any province or territory of Canada (other than the Province of Ontario) and, unless otherwise provided in the prospectus supplement relating to a particular issue of debt securities, will not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in Canada or to any resident of Canada except in the Province of Ontario. The debt securities may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in Canada or to any resident of Canada in contravention of the securities laws of any province or territory of Canada. Each underwriter, dealer or agent participating in the distribution of debt securities will agree that it will not, directly or indirectly, offer, sell or deliver any such debt securities purchased by it in connection with that distribution in Canada or to any resident of Canada in contravention of the securities laws of any province or territory of Canada.

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Under agreements that may be entered into by us, underwriters, dealers and agents who participate in the distribution of debt securities may be entitled to indemnification by us against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the U.S. Securities Act, or to contributions with respect to payments which such underwriters, dealers or agents may be required to make in respect thereof. The underwriters, dealers and agents with whom we enter into agreements may be customers of, engage in transactions with or perform services for us in the ordinary course of business.

#### DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

We may offer unsecured general obligations or secured obligations, which may be senior (the "senior debt securities") or subordinated (the "subordinated debt securities"). The senior debt securities and the subordinated debt securities are together referred to in this prospectus as the "debt securities". Unless otherwise provided in a prospectus supplement, the senior debt securities will have the same rank as all our other unsubordinated debt. The subordinated debt securities may be senior or junior to, or rank pari passu with, our other subordinated obligations and will be entitled to payment only after payment on our unsubordinated indebtedness.

The following description sets forth certain general terms of the debt securities. The particular terms of a series of debt securities offered by any prospectus supplement and the extent, if any, to which such general terms may apply to those debt securities will be described in the related prospectus supplement. Accordingly, for a description of the terms of a particular issue of debt securities, reference must be made to both the related prospectus supplement and to the following description. Prospective investors should rely on information in the applicable prospectus supplement if it is different from the following information. In this description, the words "we", "us", "our", "RCI" and "Rogers Communication Inc." refer to Rogers Communications Inc. (or its successors, if any) and not any of its subsidiaries.

Unless otherwise specified in a prospectus supplement, the senior debt securities and the subordinated debt securities will be issued under the base indenture (the "base indenture") between us and The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee, dated as of August 6, 2008, as supplemented by one or more supplemental indentures. A copy of the base indenture is attached as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. A copy of the base indenture may also be obtained over the Internet at the Canadian Securities Administrators' website at www.sedar.com. When we issue a series of debt securities, the terms and provisions that are particular to those securities will be set forth in a supplemental indenture. When we refer to the "indenture" in this prospectus in respect of a particular series of debt securities, we are referring to the base indenture, as supplemented by the supplemental indenture applicable to such series. The following summary is of certain provisions of the base indenture and certain general features of the debt securities and this summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, all the provisions of the base indenture and the applicable provisions of the United States Trust Indenture Act of 1939 (the "TIA"), as amended.

#### General

The base indenture does not limit the amount of debt securities that may be issued. The debt securities may be issued in one or more series as may be authorized from time to time. The particular terms of any series of debt securities will be established at the time of issuance and will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. These terms may include, but are not limited to, any of the following where applicable:

the title of that series,

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any limit on the amount that may be issued in respect of that series,

• whether we will issue the series of debt securities in global form and, if so, who the depositary will be,

• the maturity date of the debt securities,

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- whether the debt securities are to be issued at an original issue discount and/or whether the debt securities are to be interest bearing,
- if the debt securities are to be interest bearing, the annual interest rate or interest basis upon which the annual interest rate may be determined, any credit spread or margin over such interest rate, which may be fixed or variable, or any other method for determining the interest rate and the date interest will begin to accrue, the dates interest will be payable and the regular record dates for interest payment dates or the method for determining such dates,