

NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS INC  
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**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 and Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **April 24, 2003**

**NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**0-27877**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**99-3342408**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**6085 State Farm Drive, Rohnert Park, California, 94928**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**(707) 584-6820**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**N/A**  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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**Item 1.**

N/A

**Item 2. Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.**

On April 24, 2003, Motorola, Inc. ("Motorola") completed the short-form merger of NL Merger Corporation ("NL Merger"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Motorola, into Next Level Communications, Inc. ("Next Level"). Upon consummation of the merger, Next Level became the surviving corporation and the corporate existence of NL Merger ceased. Each outstanding share of Next Level common stock, par value \$.01 per share ("Shares")(except for Shares held by NL Merger, which were canceled, and Shares held by Next Level shareholders who assert their statutory appraisal rights under Delaware law), was converted in the merger. Former Next Level shareholders whose Shares were

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converted are entitled to receive \$1.18 cash for each Share owned at the time of the merger. Immediately prior to the merger, NL Merger subsidiary held at least 90% of the outstanding Shares.

### Items 3-6.

N/A

### Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed as part of this report:

Exhibit No.

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|------|---|
| 4.1  | Certificate of Ownership and Merger, merging NL Merger Corporation into Next Level Communications, Inc., as filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on April 24, 2003. |
| 20.1 | Form of Letter to Former Shareholders   |
| 20.2 | Form of Letter of Transmittal   |
| 20.3 | Form of Notice of Merger and Appraisal Rights   |

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### SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

NEXT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: /s/ KEITH A. ZAR

Name: Keith A. Zar  
Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Chief Administrative Office  
and Secretary

Date: April 24, 2003

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