

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS INC /MO/  
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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT NO. 5 DATED APRIL 30, 2001  
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 AS SUPPLEMENTED BY PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT NOS. 1, 2, 3 AND 4

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

\$750,000,000 of 5.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2005 and 34,786,650 Shares of Class A Common Stock Issuable Upon Conversion of the 5.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2005 and 31,664,667 Issued or Issuable Shares of Class A Common Stock

This prospectus supplement relates to (1) \$750,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 5.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2005 of Charter Communications, Inc., and 34,786,650 shares of Class A common stock of Charter Communications, Inc., which are initially issuable upon conversion of the notes, plus an indeterminate number of shares as may become issuable upon conversion as a result of adjustments to the conversion rate; and (2) 31,664,667 shares of Class A common stock of Charter Communications, Inc. issued or issuable to certain entities in connection with Charter Communications, Inc.'s purchase of certain cable systems in 2000 plus an indeterminate number of shares as may become issuable upon certain events. This prospectus supplement should be read in conjunction with the prospectus dated February 6, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 1 dated February 16, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 2 dated February 20, 2001, Prospectus Supplement No. 3 dated March 15, 2001 and Prospectus Supplement No. 4 dated April 3, 2001 which are to be delivered with this prospectus supplement.

The information appearing in the table below, as of the date hereof, supersedes the information in the table appearing under the heading "Selling Securityholders" in Prospectus Supplement No. 4:

| Selling Securityholder                         | Convertible Senior Notes              |  | Shares of Common Stock       |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|------------------------------|
|  | Amount of Notes Owned Before Offering | Principal Amount of Notes That May Be Sold | Shares Owned Before Offering |
| AAM/Zazove Institutional Income Funds, LP (GS) | \$1,300,000                           | \$1,300,000                                | 0                            |
| AFTRA Health Fund                              | 1,000,000                             | 1,000,000                                  | 0                            |
| AIG/National Union Fire Insurance Ltd.         | 800,000                               | 800,000                                    | 0                            |
| AIG Soundshore Opportunity Holding Fund,       |                                       |  |                              |

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| Ltd. ....  | 3,500,000  | 3,500,000  | 0 |
| AIG Soundshore Strategic Holding Fund, Ltd.....              | 3,500,000  | 3,500,000  | 0 |
| AIM Strategic Income Fund.....                               | 1,500,000  | 1,500,000  | 0 |
| Alexandra Global Investment Fund I Ltd. ....                 | 3,000,000  | 3,000,000  | 0 |
| Allstate Insurance Company.....                              | 1,500,000  | 1,500,000  | 0 |
| Allstate Life Insurance Company.....                         | 375,000    | 375,000    | 0 |
| Aloha Airlines Non-Pilots Pension Trust.....                 | 245,000    | 245,000    | 0 |
| Aloha Pilots Retirement Trust.....                           | 140,000    | 140,000    | 0 |
| Alpha US Sub Fund VIII, LLC.....                             | 1,250,000  | 1,250,000  | 0 |
| Alpine Associates.....                                       | 5,600,000  | 5,600,000  | 0 |
| Alpine Partners, L.P.....                                    | 900,000    | 900,000    | 0 |
| Argent Classic Convertible Arbitrage Fund L.P.....           | 4,000,000  | 4,000,000  | 0 |
| Argent Classic Convertible Arbitrage Fund (Bermuda) L.P..... | 11,000,000 | 11,000,000 | 0 |
| Argent Convertible Arbitrage Fund Ltd. ....                  | 10,000,000 | 10,000,000 | 0 |
| Aristeia International, Limited.....                         | 5,160,000  | 5,160,000  | 0 |
| Aristeia Trading, L.P.....                                   | 3,340,000  | 3,340,000  | 0 |
| Arkansas PERS.....   | 800,000    | 800,000    | 0 |
| Arkansas Teachers Retirement.....                            | 6,376,000  | 6,376,000  | 0 |
| Associated Electric & Gas Insurance Services Limited.....    | 800,000    | 800,000    | 0 |
| Bank Austria Cayman Islands, Ltd.....                        | 8,800,000  | 8,800,000  | 0 |
| Baptist Health of South Florida.....                         | 407,000    | 407,000    | 0 |
| BBT Fund, L.P.....   | 16,000,000 | 16,000,000 | 0 |
| Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.(1).....                             | 5,000,000  | 5,000,000  | 0 |
| Black Diamond Offshore, Ltd.....                             | 281,000    | 281,000    | 0 |
| BNP Paribas Equity Strategies.....                           | 13,845,000 | 13,845,000 | 0 |
| BNP Cooper Neff Convertible Strategies Fund, L.P.....        | 1,155,000  | 1,155,000  | 0 |
| Boilermakers Blacksmith Pension Trust.....                   | 1,075,000  | 1,075,000  | 0 |
| Boston Museum of Fine Arts.....                              | 170,000    | 170,000    | 0 |
| Boulder II Limited.....                                      | 6,762,000  | 6,762,000  | 0 |

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| BP Amoco PLC Master Trust.....   | 2,162,000                             | 2,162,000                                  | 0                            |
| BT Equity Opportunities.....   | 4,000,000                             | 4,000,000                                  | 0                            |
| BT Equity Strategies.....  | 1,500,000                             | 1,500,000                                  | 0                            |
| C&H Sugar Company, Inc.....  | 385,000                               | 385,000                                    | 0                            |
| Canyon Capital Arbitrage Master Fund, Ltd. Canyon Capital Realization (Cayman), Ltd..... | 5,400,000                             | 5,400,000                                  | 0                            |
| Capital Guardian Global Convertible Fund #011.....                                       | 22,925,000                            | 22,925,000                                 | 0                            |
| Chrysler Corporation Master Retirement Trust.....  | 290,000                               | 290,000                                    | 0                            |
| CIBC World Markets.....  | 7,300,000                             | 7,300,000                                  | 0                            |
|  | 3,595,000                             | 3,595,000                                  | 0                            |

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| Citi JL, Ltd. ....   | 117,000    | 117,000    | 0 |
| Clinton Riverside Convertible Portfolio Limited.....                                 | 7,000,000  | 7,000,000  | 0 |
| Conseco Fund Group - Convertible Securities Fund.....                                | 1,000,000  | 1,000,000  | 0 |
| DeAM Convertible Arbitrage Fund, Ltd. ....   | 2,200,000  | 2,200,000  | 0 |
| Deephaven Domestic Convertible Trading Ltd.....                                      | 16,250,000 | 16,250,000 | 0 |
| Delaware PERS.....   | 1,550,000  | 1,550,000  | 0 |
| Delta Airlines Master Trust (c/o Oaktree Capital Management, LLC).....               | 2,740,000  | 2,740,000  | 0 |
| Delta Pilots D&S Trust.....  | 440,000    | 440,000    | 0 |
| D.E. Shaw Valence, L.P.....  | 1,600,000  | 1,600,000  | 0 |
| D.E. Shaw Investments, L.P.....  | 400,000    | 400,000    | 0 |
| Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.....  | 24,300,000 | 24,300,000 | 0 |
| Double Black Diamond Offshore, LDC.....  | 1,168,000  | 1,168,000  | 0 |
| Duckbill & Co.....   | 2,500,000  | 2,500,000  | 0 |
| Engineers Joint Pension Fund.....  | 700,000    | 700,000    | 0 |
| Enterprise Convertible Security Fund....   | 101,000    | 101,000    | 0 |
| Evergreen Equity Income Fund.....  | 7,000,000  | 7,000,000  | 0 |
| F.R. Convrt Sec. Fn. ....  | 85,000     | 85,000     | 0 |
| Family Service Life Insurance Company.....   | 300,000    | 300,000    | 0 |
| Federated American Leaders Fund Inc.....   | 18,500,000 | 18,500,000 | 0 |
| Federated Equity Funds, on behalf of its Federated Capital Appreciation Fund....     | 7,000,000  | 7,000,000  | 0 |
| Federated Insurance Series, on behalf of its Federated American Leaders Fund II..... | 2,400,000  | 2,400,000  | 0 |

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| Fidelity Financial Trust: Fidelity Convertible Securities Fund.....    | 13,250,000                            | 13,250,000                                 | 0                            |
| Fortis Series Fund, Inc. on behalf of its American Leaders Series..... | 50,000                                | 50,000                                     | 0                            |
| Gaia Offshore Master Fund Ltd.....                                     | 7,000,000                             | 7,000,000                                  | 0                            |
| Gary Anderson Marital Living Trust.....                                | 200,000                               | 200,000                                    | 0                            |
| General Motors Employees Global Group Pension Trust.....               | 3,500,000                             | 3,500,000                                  | 0                            |
| General Motors Welfare Benefit Trust (LT - VEBA).....                  | 2,500,000                             | 2,500,000                                  | 0                            |
| Goldman, Sachs & Co.(1).....   | 22,489,000                            | 22,489,000                                 | 0                            |
| Grace Brothers, Ltd.....   | 2,500,000                             | 2,500,000                                  | 0                            |
| Guardian Life Insurance Company of America.....                        | 10,200,000                            | 10,200,000                                 | 0                            |
| Guardian Pension Trust.....  | 400,000                               | 400,000                                    | 0                            |
| Hawaiian Airline Pilots Retirement Plan.....                           | 220,000                               | 220,000                                    | 0                            |
| Hawaiian Airlines Employees Pension                                    |                                       |  |                              |

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| Plan - IAM.....  | 115,000    | 115,000    | 0 |
| Hawaiian Airlines Pension Plan for Salaried Employees..... | 25,000     | 25,000     | 0 |
| HBK Master Fund L.P.....                                   | 46,000,000 | 46,000,000 | 0 |
| HFR Master Fund, Ltd.....                                  | 200,000    | 200,000    | 0 |
| Highbridge International LLC.....                          | 25,900,000 | 25,900,000 | 0 |
| Hotel Union and Hotel Industry of Hawaii.....              | 490,000    | 490,000    | 0 |
| ICI American Holdings Trust.....                           | 825,000    | 825,000    | 0 |
| Island Holdings.....                                       | 50,000     | 50,000     | 0 |
| ITG Inc.....   | 204,000    | 204,000    | 0 |
| Jefferies & Company Inc.....                               | 10,000     | 10,000     | 0 |
| JMG Capital Partners, LP.....                              | 10,500,000 | 10,500,000 | 0 |
| Julius Baer Securities, Inc.....                           | 450,000    | 450,000    | 0 |
| KBC Financial Products USA.....                            | 2,000,000  | 2,000,000  | 0 |
| Lancer Securities Cayman Ltd. ....                         | 800,000    | 800,000    | 0 |
| Leonardo, L.P.....   | 11,950,000 | 11,950,000 | 0 |
| Levco Alternative Fund, Ltd. ....                          | 1,695,000  | 1,695,000  | 0 |
| Lipper Convertibles, L.P. ....                             | 12,000,000 | 12,000,000 | 0 |
| Lumberman's Mutual Casualty.....                           | 722,000    | 722,000    | 0 |
| Lydian Overseas Partners Master Fund....                   | 35,000,000 | 35,000,000 | 0 |
| Mainstay Convertible Fund.....                             | 7,500,000  | 7,500,000  | 0 |
| Mainstay VP Convertible Portfolio.....                     | 1,000,000  | 1,000,000  | 0 |
| McMahan Securities Co. L.P.....                            | 174,000    | 174,000    | 0 |
| Merrill Lynch, Pierce Fenner & Smith, Inc.(1).....         | 450,000    | 450,000    | 0 |
| Morgan Stanley & Co.(1).....                               | 350,000    | 350,000    | 0 |

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| Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Convertible Securities Trust(1).....    | 3,000,000                             | 3,000,000                                  | 0                            |
| Motion Picture Industry Health Plan - Active Member Fund.....      | 850,000                               | 850,000                                    | 0                            |
| Motion Picture Industry Health Plan - Retiree Member Fund.....     | 420,000                               | 420,000                                    | 0                            |
| Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.....                                   | 46,000                                | 46,000                                     | 0                            |
| Nalco Chemical Company.....  | 260,000                               | 260,000                                    | 0                            |
| Navigator Offshore Fund Ltd.....                                   | 1,597,000                             | 1,597,000                                  | 0                            |
| Navigator Partners LP.....   | 690,000                               | 690,000                                    | 0                            |
| Navigator Special Partners LP.....                                 | 213,000                               | 213,000                                    | 0                            |
| Nicholas Applegate Convertible Fund.....                           | 2,291,000                             | 2,291,000                                  | 0                            |
| Nomura International PLC London.....                               | 9,000,000                             | 9,000,000                                  | 0                            |
| Nomura Securities International.....                               | 6,000,000                             | 6,000,000                                  | 0                            |
| Northern Income Equity Fund.....                                   | 1,000,000                             | 1,000,000                                  | 0                            |
| OCM Convertible Trust.....   | 4,235,000                             | 4,235,000                                  | 0                            |
| Ohio National Fund, Inc. on behalf of its Blue Chip Portfolio..... | 50,000                                | 50,000                                     | 0                            |
| Onex Industrial Partners Limited.....                              | 3,350,000                             | 3,350,000                                  | 0                            |
| Oppenheimer Convertible Securities Fund                            | 6,000,000                             | 6,000,000                                  | 0                            |
| OZ Master Fund, Ltd.....   | 6,000,000                             | 6,000,000                                  | 0                            |
| Pacific Life Insurance Company.....                                | 1,000,000                             | 1,000,000                                  | 0                            |
| Palladin Securities LLC.....                                       | 500,000                               | 500,000                                    | 0                            |

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| Park Avenue Life Insurance Company.....   | 100,000   | 100,000   | 0 |
| Parker-Hannifin Corporation.....  | 79,000    | 79,000    | 0 |
| Partner Reinsurance Company Ltd.....  | 1,470,000 | 1,470,000 | 0 |
| Pebble Capital, Inc. ....   | 1,350,000 | 1,350,000 | 0 |
| Pell Rudman Trust Company.....  | 1,550,000 | 1,550,000 | 0 |
| Peoples Benefit Life Insurance Company<br>TEAMSTERS separate account.....             | 3,750,000 | 3,750,000 | 0 |
| PGEP III LLC.....   | 500,000   | 500,000   | 0 |
| PHEP IV, Inc.....   | 116,000   | 116,000   | 0 |
| Physicians Life.....  | 549,000   | 549,000   | 0 |
| PRIM Board.....   | 3,115,000 | 3,115,000 | 0 |
| Primerica Life Insurance Company.....   | 1,503,000 | 1,503,000 | 0 |
| Principal Investors Fund, Inc. on behalf of<br>its Partners Large Cap Blend Fund..... | 40,000    | 40,000    | 0 |
| Purchase Associates, L.P.....   | 1,103,000 | 1,103,000 | 0 |
| Putnam Asset Allocation Funds - Balanced<br>Portfolio.....                            | 447,000   | 447,000   | 0 |
| Putnam Asset Allocation Funds -<br>Conservative Portfolio.....                        | 508,000   | 508,000   | 0 |
| Putnam Convertible Income - Growth<br>Trust.....                                      | 4,500,000 | 4,500,000 | 0 |

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| Putnam Convertible Opportunities and Income<br>Trust.....                   | 114,000                                     | 114,000   | 0                                     |
| Queens Health Plan.....   | 85,000                                      | 85,000  | 0                                     |
| R2 Investments, LDC.....  | 42,000,000                                  | 42,000,000  | 0                                     |
| Retail Clerks Pension Trust.....  | 3,000,000                                   | 3,000,000   | 0                                     |
| Retail Clerks Pension Trust #2.....   | 2,000,000                                   | 2,000,000   | 0                                     |
| Sage Capital.....   | 3,850,000                                   | 3,850,000   | 0                                     |
| Salomon Smith Barney Inc.....   | 1,030,000                                   | 1,030,000   | 0                                     |
| San Diego City Retirement.....  | 1,371,000                                   | 1,371,000   | 0                                     |
| San Diego County Convertible.....   | 2,960,000                                   | 2,960,000   | 0                                     |
| San Diego County Employees Retirement<br>Association.....                   | 1,900,000                                   | 1,900,000   | 0                                     |
| Screen Actors Guild Pension<br>Convertible.....                             | 745,000                                     | 745,000   | 0                                     |
| Silvercreek Limited Partnership.....  | 3,038,000                                   | 3,038,000   | 0                                     |
| St. Albans Partners Ltd. ....   | 5,000,000                                   | 5,000,000   | 0                                     |
| Starvest Combined Portfolio.....  | 1,000,000                                   | 1,000,000   | 0                                     |
| State Employees' Retirement Fund of the<br>State of Delaware.....           | 3,685,000                                   | 3,685,000   | 0                                     |
| State of Connecticut Combined Investment<br>Funds.....                      | 8,065,000                                   | 8,065,000   | 0                                     |
| State of Oregon - Equity.....   | 5,025,000                                   | 5,025,000   | 0                                     |
| State of Oregon/SAIF Corporation.....                                       | 9,785,000                                   | 9,785,000   | 0                                     |
| SunAmerica Series Trust, on behalf of its<br>Federated Value Portfolio..... | 1,000,000                                   | 1,000,000   | 0                                     |
| TCI Bresnan, LLC.....   | 0   | N/A   | 0                                     |
| TCID of Michigan, Inc. ....   | 0   | N/A   | 0                                     |
| TCW Group, Inc. ....  | 12,075,000                                  | 12,075,000  | 0                                     |
| The Common Fund for Non-Profit  |   |   |                                       |

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| Organizations (Absolute Return Fund)....                                  | 61,000     | 61,000     | 0 |
| The Estate of James Campbell.....   | 876,000    | 876,000    | 0 |
| The Travelers Indemnity Company.....                                      | 4,956,000  | 4,956,000  | 0 |
| The Travelers Insurance<br>Company - Life.....                            | 2,548,000  | 2,548,000  | 0 |
| The Travelers Insurance Company Separate<br>Account TLAC.....             | 289,000    | 289,000    | 0 |
| The Travelers Life and Annuity<br>Company.....                            | 304,000    | 304,000    | 0 |
| TQA Master Plus Fund, Ltd. ....   | 750,000    | 750,000    | 0 |
| TQA Masterfund, Ltd. ....   | 1,750,000  | 1,750,000  | 0 |
| Travelers Series Trust Convertible Bond<br>Portfolio.....                 | 400,000    | 400,000    | 0 |
| Tribeca Investments LLC.....  | 27,500,000 | 27,500,000 | 0 |
| UBS AG London Branch.....   | 14,000,000 | 14,000,000 | 0 |
| UBS O'Connor LLC (f/b/o UBS Global<br>Equity Arbitrage Master, Ltd.)..... | 11,500,000 | 11,500,000 | 0 |

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| UBS Warburg LLC.....  | 3,500,000                                   | 3,500,000   | 0                                     |
| University of Rochester.....  | 43,000                                      | 43,000  | 0                                     |
| Value Line Convertible Fund, Inc. ....  | 500,000                                     | 500,000   | 0                                     |
| Value Realization Fund, LP.....   | 11,675,000                                  | 11,675,000  | 0                                     |
| Van Kampen Harbor Fund.....   | 3,000,000                                   | 3,000,000   | 0                                     |
| Vanguard Convertible Securities Fund,<br>Inc.....   | 10,295,000                                  | 10,295,000  | 0                                     |
| Viacom Inc. Pension Plan Master Trust...  | 68,000                                      | 68,000  | 0                                     |
| Wake Forest University.....   | 1,296,000                                   | 1,296,000   | 0                                     |
| Wasserstein Perella Securities Inc.....   | 1,000,000                                   | 1,000,000   | 0                                     |
| While River Securities L.L.C.....   | 5,000,000                                   | 5,000,000   | 0                                     |
| Worldwide Transactions, Ltd.....  | 51,000                                      | 51,000  | 0                                     |
| Writers Guild Convertible.....  | 435,000                                     | 435,000   | 0                                     |
| Wyoming State Treasurer.....  | 1,496,000                                   | 1,496,000   | 0                                     |
| Yield Strategies Fund I LP.....   | 1,000,000                                   | 1,000,000   | 0                                     |
| ZCM/HFR Index Management, L.L.C. (f/k/a<br>Zurich HFR Master Hedge Fund Index<br>Ltd.)..... | 100,000                                     | 100,000   | 0                                     |
| Zeneca AG Products, Inc. ....   | 150,000                                     | 150,000   | 0                                     |
| Zeneca Holdings Trust.....  | 375,000                                     | 375,000   | 0                                     |
| Zurich HFR Master Hedge Fund Index<br>LTD.....  | 3,200,000                                   | 3,200,000   | 0                                     |

- (1) These entities and/or their affiliates have provided, and may from time to time provide, investment banking services to Charter Communications, Inc. and its subsidiaries, including, among other things, acting as lead and/or co-manager with respect to offerings of debt and equity securities.
- (2) Represents the number of shares of Class A common stock for which the selling securityholders may exchange their Class A Preferred Units in CC VIII, LLC and an indeterminate number of shares issuable upon such exchange, as such number may be adjusted under certain circumstances.

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SEE "RISK FACTORS" BEGINNING ON PAGE 3 OF THE PROSPECTUS TO READ ABOUT  
IMPORTANT FACTORS YOU SHOULD CONSIDER BEFORE BUYING THE CONVERTIBLE SENIOR  
NOTES OR SHARES OF OUR CLASS A COMMON STOCK.

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These securities have not been approved or disapproved by the Securities  
and Exchange Commission or any state securities commission nor has the  
Securities and Exchange Commission or any state securities commission passed  
upon the accuracy or adequacy of the prospectus or this prospectus supplement.  
Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus supplement is April 30, 2001.