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July 27, 2005

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 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, 2005  
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NEXTEL PARTNERS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

DELAWARE

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

000-29633

91-1930918  
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(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

4500 CARILLON POINT  
KIRKLAND, WASHINGTON 98033

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(425) 576-3600

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS.

As previously reported, on July 5, 2005, Nextel Partners, Inc. commenced an action against Nextel Communications, Inc. and Nextel WIP Corp., a subsidiary of Nextel Communications, in New York Supreme Court, asserting that certain elements of the merger integration process involving Nextel Communications and Sprint Corporation violate several of Nextel Communications' and Nextel WIP's obligations to Nextel Partners under various agreements. On the same day, Nextel Partners initiated a dispute resolution process, and subsequently made a demand for arbitration, with respect to these and other claims. The New York lawsuit sought an injunction in aid of the arbitration.

On July 22, 2005, the parties selected a three-member arbitration panel to hear the matters set forth in Nextel Partners' demand for arbitration. Accordingly, Nextel Partners is now able to seek an injunction directly from the arbitration panel. The panel has scheduled a hearing on August 25, 2005 with respect to Nextel Partners' request for a preliminary injunction. We cannot predict the timing or the outcome of the arbitration proceedings.

As a result of the parties' submission of these matters to arbitration and the scheduling of a hearing before the arbitration panel on Nextel Partners' request for a preliminary injunction, Nextel Partners has no need to seek an injunction from the New York Supreme Court. Accordingly, Nextel Partners has voluntarily withdrawn, without prejudice, its action in the New York Supreme Court.

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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.

NEXTEL PARTNERS, INC.

By: /s/ Donald J. Manning  
Name: Donald J. Manning  
Title: Vice President, General Counsel  
and Secretary

Date: July 27, 2005

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