

NEXTEL PARTNERS INC

Form 424B3

May 30, 2002

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Registration No. 333-82440

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO  
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): May 23, 2002**

**NEXTEL PARTNERS, INC.  
(Exact Name Of Registrant as Specified in Charter)**

**DELAWARE  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)**

**000-29633  
(Commission  
File Number)**

**91-1930918  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)**

**4500 Carillon Point  
Kirkland, Washington 98033  
(425) 576-3600**

**(Address and Telephone Number of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices)**

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**ITEM 4. CHANGES IN REGISTRANT S CERTIFYING ACCOUNTANT.**

On May 23, 2002, Nextel Partners, Inc. (the Company ) received a copy of a letter from Arthur Andersen LLP addressed to the Securities and Exchange Commission stating that it agreed with the statements included in paragraph two of Item 4 of the Company s Form 8-K dated May 15, 2002. A copy of this letter is being filed as an exhibit to this Amendment No. 1 to Form 8-K.

**ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.**

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibits.

Exhibit 16 Letter from Arthur Andersen LLP regarding change in certifying accountant

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this Amendment No. 1 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**NEXTEL PARTNERS, INC.**

Date: May 28, 2002

By:

/s/ John D. Thompson

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John D. Thompson  
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer  
(Chief Financial and Accounting Officer)

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EXHIBIT 16

[Arthur Andersen LLP Letterhead]

May 20, 2002

Office of the Chief Accountant  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
450 Fifth Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Dear Sir/Madam:

We have read the paragraph Two of Item 4 included in the Form 8-K dated May 15, 2002, of Nextel Partners, Inc. to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and are in agreement with the statements contained therein.

Very truly yours,

/s/ ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP

ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP

Cc: Mr. John D. Thompson  
Chief Financial Officer  
Nextel Partners, Inc.