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(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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Telephone	301-571-6200
CIK	0001418819
Symbol	IRDM
SIC Code	3669 - Communications Equipment, Not Elsewhere Classified
Industry	Communications Services
Sector	Services
Fiscal Year	12/31

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
Roddy John Michael	**Iridium Communications Inc. [IRDM]**	_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) **C/O IRIDIUM COMMUNICATIONS INC., 1750 TYSONS BOULEVARD, SUITE 1400**	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) **3/1/2012**	__ **X** __ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) **EVP, Iridium Satellite LLC**
(Street) **MCLEAN, VA 22102** (City) (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _ **X** _ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	**3/1/2012**		**A**		**12301** (1)	**A**	**$ 0**	**12301**	**D**	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (*e.g.* , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	**$7.56**	**3/1/2012**		**A**		**27761**		(2)	**3/1/2022**	**Common Stock**	**27761**	**$ 0**	**27761**	**D**	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) These shares are represented by restricted stock units. The shares of Common Stock underlying this restricted stock unit award vest as to 25% on March 1, 2013 and quarterly thereafter in equal installments (rounded down to the nearest whole number) on June 1, September 1 and December 1 so that all shares of Common Stock shall be vested as of March 1, 2016.

(2) These options shall vest and become exercisable as to 25% of the shares of Common Stock underlying the option on March 1, 2013 and quarterly thereafter in equal installments on June 1, September 1 and December 1 so that all shares of Common Stock underlying the option shall vest and become exercisable on March 1, 2016.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			

	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Roddy John Michael **C/O IRIDIUM COMMUNICATIONS INC.** **1750 TYSONS BOULEVARD, SUITE 1400** **MCLEAN, VA 22102**			**EVP, Iridium Satellite LLC**	

Signatures

/s/ Christi Novak, Attorney-in-Fact **3/5/2012**

** Signature of Reporting Person — Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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