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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSIO Washington, D.C. 20549							OMMISSION	OMB Number:	3235-0287		
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(Print or Type R	Responses)										
			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Iridium Communications Inc.					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	[IRDM]					(Check all applicable)					
	^(First) M CATIONS IN CY BOULEV		3. Date of (Month/D 01/06/20		ansaction			_X_ Director Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify	
	(Street) 4. If Amer Filed(Mont				-			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
BETHESDA	A, MD 20817							Form filed by M Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curiti	ies Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ar) Executio any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	on(A) or Disj (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or	of (D))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	01/06/2010			Code V A	Amount 6,290.1 (1)	(D) A	Price \$ 0	6,290.1	D		

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.79	01/06/2010		А	8,861	(2)	01/06/2020	Common Stock	8,861

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Addre	Relationships					
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
PFEIFFER STEVEN B C/O IRIDIUM COMMUNICATIONS 6707 DEMOCRACY BOULEVARD, BETHESDA, MD 20817		Х				
Signatures						
/s/ Christi Novak, attorney-in-fact	01/07/2010					
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person	Date					

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) These shares are represented by restricted stock units awarded as compensation for services as a director. The shares underlying this restricted stock unit award vest in four equal quarterly installments on the last day of each calendar quarter during 2010.
- (2) These options were awarded as compensation for services as director. The options vest in four equal quarterly installments on the last day of each calendar quarter during 2010.

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