Roddy John Michael Form 4 February 22, 2011

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Roddy John Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O IRIDIUM **COMMUNICATIONS INC., 1750** TYSONS BOULEVARD, SUITE

(Street)

MCLEAN, VA 22102

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Iridium Communications Inc. [IRDM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2011

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) EVP, Iridium Satellite LLC

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

1400

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	\$ 8.31	02/21/2011		A	90,000	<u>(1)</u>	02/21/2021	Common Stock	90,000

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 02/22/2011

**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) 22,500 shares of common stock underlying the option vest on February 21, 2012 and with regard to the balance of 67,500 shares of common stock underlying the option, vesting commences on February 21, 2012 in twelve equal quarterly installments.

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