

Iridium Communications Inc.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**Iridium Communications Inc.
 [IRDM]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/01/2017

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chief Executive Officer

C/O IRIDIUM COMMUNICATIONS INC., 1750 TYSONS BOULEVARD, SUITE 1400

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MCLEAN, VA 22102

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/01/2017		F ⁽¹⁾	24,705 D \$ 8.8	529,335	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		A	42,730 ⁽²⁾ A \$ 0	572,065	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		F ⁽³⁾	7,071 D \$ 8.8	564,994	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		A	68,181 ⁽⁴⁾ A \$ 0	633,175	D	

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- (4) These shares are represented by restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of the issuer. Of the shares underlying this restricted stock unit award, 25% shall vest on March 1, 2018 and the remainder shall vest in equal quarterly installments thereafter on each June 1, September 1, December 1 and March 1, so that all shares of common stock shall be vested as of March 1, 2021, subject to the reporting person's continuous service with the issuer as of each such vesting date.

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