Iridium Communications Inc. Form SC TO-I September 28, 2012

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

(Rule 14d-100)

Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

IRIDIUM COMMUNICATIONS INC.

 $(Name\ of\ Subject\ Company\ (Issuer)\ and\ Name\ of\ Filing\ Person\ (Issuer))$

Warrants exercisable for Common Stock at an exercise price of \$7.00 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

46269C102

(CUSIP Number of Common Stock Underlying Warrants)

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Matthew J. Desch

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person

Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications on Behalf of Filing Persons)

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 - " amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

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Other Events

On September 28, 2012, Iridium Communications Inc. (the *Company*) issued a press release announcing that it intends to conduct a warrant exchange with all existing holders of the Company s outstanding warrants exercisable for shares of the Company s common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the *Shares*), at an exercise price of \$7.00 per share (the *Warrants*), including Warrants that are included in outstanding Units, to receive one Share in exchange for every six Warrants tendered by the holders thereof (approximately 0.1667 Shares per Warrant tendered). A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Important Information

This report and the description contained herein are for informational purposes only and are not an offer to purchase or a solicitation of an offer to sell securities of the Company. The exchange offer described herein has not yet been commenced. If and when the exchange offer is commenced, the Company intends to file a tender offer statement on a Schedule TO containing an offer to exchange, a letter of transmittal and other related documents with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). Such documents will be mailed to Warrant holders of record and will also be made available for distribution to beneficial owners of Warrants. The solicitation of offers to exchange Warrants for Shares will only be made pursuant to the offer to exchange, the letter of transmittal and related documents. Warrant holders are advised to read the offer to exchange, the letter of transmittal and all related documents, if and when such documents are filed and become available, as they will contain important information about the exchange offer and proposed warrant exchange. Security holders can obtain these documents when they are filed and become available free of charge from the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. In addition, copies of these documents and other filings containing information about the Company may be obtained, if and when available, without charge, by directing a request to Iridium Communications Inc., attention Investor Relations, at (703) 287-7570 or on the Company s website at www.iridium.com.

Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release, dated September 28, 2012.

SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

IRIDIUM COMMUNICATIONS INC.

By: /s/ Thomas J. Fitzpatrick Name: Thomas J. Fitzpatrick Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 28, 2012