

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **March 9, 2012**

DISH NETWORK CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEVADA

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

0-26176

(Commission File Number)

88-0336997

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD.

ENGLEWOOD, COLORADO

(Address of principal executive offices)

80112

(Zip Code)

(303) 723-1000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

DISH DBS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

COLORADO

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

333-31929

(Commission File Number)

84-1328967

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition.

On March 9, 2012, DISH Network Corporation ("DISH") closed its acquisitions of the reorganized DBSD North America, Inc. and substantially all of the assets of TerreStar Networks, Inc. For more information please see the press release filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 12, 2012, DISH issued the attached press release regarding the closing of its acquisitions of the re-organized DBSD North America, Inc., and substantially all of the assets of TerreStar Networks, Inc. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press release regarding the closing of DISH's acquisitions of the re-organized DBSD North America, Inc., and substantially all of the assets of TerreStar Networks, Inc.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

DISH NETWORK CORPORATION
DISH DBS CORPORATION

Date: March 12, 2012

By: /s/ R. Stanton Dodge
R. Stanton Dodge
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release regarding the closing of DISH's acquisitions of the re-organized DBSD North America, Inc., and substantially all of the assets of TerreStar Networks, Inc.

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DISH NETWORK CLOSES DBSD AND TERRESTAR ACQUISITIONS

ENGLEWOOD, Colo., March 12, 2012 - DISH Network Corporation (NASDAQ: DISH) has closed its acquisitions of the re-organized DBSD North America, Inc., and substantially all of the assets of TerreStar Networks, Inc. DISH has invested more than \$3 billion to secure the licenses for this 40 MHz of nationwide 2 GHz wireless spectrum. DISH looks forward to working with the FCC on its forthcoming Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) and remains committed to using this spectrum to help the Administration and the FCC solve the nation's spectrum crunch. In parallel, DISH will initiate efforts to enhance the performance and capabilities of handsets that utilize the terrestrial and satellite links while exploring its options for a broader market entry.

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About DISH

DISH Network Corporation (NASDAQ: DISH), through its subsidiary DISH Network L.L.C., provides approximately 13.967 million satellite TV customers, as of Dec. 31, 2011, with the highest quality programming and technology with the most choices at the best value, including HD Free for Life. Subscribers enjoy the largest high definition line-up with more than 200 national HD channels, the most international channels, and award-winning HD and DVR technology. DISH Network's subsidiary, Blockbuster L.L.C., delivers family entertainment to millions of customers around the world. DISH Network Corporation is a Fortune 200 company. Visit www.dish.com.

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