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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 2, 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)

(303) 723-1000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

80112  
(Zip 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))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On March 2, 2012, DISH Network Corporation issued the attached press release regarding its acquisitions of DBSD North America, Inc. and 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 DISH Network Corporation's Acquisitions of DBSD North America, Inc. and 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 5, 2012

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

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release regarding DISH Network Corporation's Acquisitions of DBSD North America, Inc. and TerreStar Networks, Inc.



## DISH Network Statement

ENGLEWOOD, Colo, March 2, 2012: DISH Network issued the following statement today regarding its DBSD/TerreStar license transfers.

“Although we are disappointed that the FCC did not grant the integrated service and spare satellite waivers that DISH requested, we appreciate the cooperative spirit and diligent efforts of the Commission and its staff in reviewing our applications. We worked hard to demonstrate that the grant of those waivers was in the public interest, and we wish that we had been successful. We believe that the denial of those waivers will delay the advancement of some of President Obama’s and the FCC’s highest priorities – namely freeing up new spectrum for commercial use and introducing new mobile broadband competition. As we review our options, we will continue working with the FCC on the forthcoming 2 GHz Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) to achieve those goals as expeditiously as possible. DISH is committed to helping the Administration and the FCC solve the existing spectrum crunch, and DISH believes that new competition is particularly critical given the expanding world of bit caps and restrictive data plans. We expect to close the DBSD and TerreStar transactions as soon as practicable.”

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### About DISH Network

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](http://www.dish.com).

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