

DISH Network CORP
Form 8-K
June 05, 2012

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): May 31, 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.)

9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD.
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240.14a-12)

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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.06. Material Impairments.

On May 31, 2012, the International Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission (the “FCC”) announced the termination of our license for use of the 148 degree orbital location. We are currently evaluating whether to challenge this termination. As previously disclosed under the caption “FCC Authorizations” in our public filings, including within Note 7 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 and Item 1 of Part I of our subsequent quarterly report on Form 10-Q, we did not have a satellite positioned at the 148 degree orbital location after the retirement of EchoStar V in August 2009. As also previously disclosed in our public filings, our license for use of the 148 degree orbital location has a \$68 million carrying value, which we will be required to write off in the second quarter 2012 due to the termination of this license by the FCC.

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: June 5, 2012

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

