Iridium Communications Inc. Form SC 13G March 08, 2013

> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

> > SCHEDULE 13G

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1(b)(c), AND (d) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(b)

(Amendment No.)*

Iridium Communications

(Name of Issuer)

Common stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

46269C102

(CUSIP Number)

February 25, 2013

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b)

- [_] Rule 13d-1(c)
- [_] Rule 13d-1(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

1.	NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)			
	Avenir Corporation			
	I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)	•		
	54-1146619			
2.	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP	(a) (b)	[_] [X]	
3.	SEC USE ONLY			
4.	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION			
	State of Virginia, USA			
NU	JMBER OF 5. SOLE VOTING POWER			

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SHARES		3,850,326
BENEFICIALLY	6.	SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY		0
EACH REPORTING	7.	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
KEP OKT ING		3,850,326
PERSON	8.	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
WITH		0

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,850,326

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

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11. PERCEN	T OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
	5.0%
12. TYPE O	F REPORTING PERSON
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Item 1(a).	Name of Issuer:
	Iridium Communications Inc
Item 1(b).	Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:
	1750 Tysons Boulevard Suite 1400
	McLean, VA 22102
T+ om 2 (2)	Name of Dorgon Filing.
Item Z(a).	Name of Person Filing:
	Avenir Corporation
Item 2(b).	Address of Principal Business Office, or if None, Residence:
	1775 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 650 Washington, DC 20006
Item 2(c).	Citizenship:
	State of Virginia, USA
Item 2(d).	Title of Class of Securities:
	Common Stock
Item 2(e).	CUSIP Number:
	46269C102
Item 3.	If This Statement is Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b or (c), Check Whether the Person Filing is a:
(a) [_] Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange Act

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- (b) [_] Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act.
- (c) [_] Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act.
- (d) [_] Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act.
- (e) [X] An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) [_] An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) [] A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) [_] A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
- (i) [_] A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;
- (j) [_] Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).
- If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c), check this box. [_]

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Item 4. Ownership.

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

3,850,326

(b) Percent of class:

5.0%

- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote3,850,326
 - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote

0

- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 3,850,326
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

0

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. []

Item 6. Ownership of More Than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

NA

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company.

NA

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

NA

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

NA

Item 10. Certifications.

(a) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b):

"By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect."

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SIGNATURE

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After reasonable 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.

March 8, 2013

_____ Date

/s/ Peter C. Keefe

Signature

Peter C. Keefe, President

Name/Title