

Dolan Co.  
Form 8-K  
December 01, 2010

**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): December 1, 2010**

**The Dolan Company**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**001-33603**

(Commission File Number)

**43-2004527**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**222 South Ninth Street, Suite 2300**

**Minneapolis, Minnesota**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**55402**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(612) 317-9420**

(Former name or former address if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On December 1, 2010, we issued a press release announcing our acquisition of DataStream Content Solutions, LLC (“DataStream”), effective December 1, 2010. A copy of the press release announcing this acquisition is attached to this current report as Exhibit 99 and incorporated herein by reference. We paid \$15 million in cash upon closing of the transaction. We used available cash to fund the closing payment. We held back an additional \$1.5 million of cash consideration to secure customary indemnification obligations of the DataStream sellers. Subject to settlement of amounts owed, if any, under these indemnification obligations, we will pay the \$1.5 million to the sellers on June 1, 2012. Furthermore, an additional amount of up to \$4 million may be paid to the sellers over a two-year period if specific EBITDA earn-out targets for DataStream are met for the years ending December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2012.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

| <b>Exhibit Number</b> | <b>Description of Exhibits</b>                      |
|-----------------------|---|
| 99                    | Press Release of the Company dated December 1, 2010 |

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**DOLAN MEDIA COMPANY**

By: /s/ Vicki J. Duncomb  
Name: Vicki J. Duncomb  
Its: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: December 1, 2010

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