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December 13, 2001

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A*
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

USA Networks, Inc.
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

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(CUSIP Number)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized
to Receive Notices and Communications)

December 11, 2001
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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The information required on 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 ("Act") 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).

* Note: This statement constitutes Amendment No. 8 of the Report on Schedule 13D of the reporting group consisting of Liberty Media Corporation, Barry Diller, The Seagram Company Ltd., Vivendi Universal, S.A., Universal Studios, Inc. and the BDTV Entities. This statement also constitutes Amendment No. 3 of a Report on Schedule 13D of Liberty Media Corporation, Amendment No. 18 of a Report on Schedule 13D of Barry Diller, Amendment No. 8 of a Report on Schedule 13D of The Seagram Company Ltd. and Universal Studios, Inc., Amendment No. 2 of a Report on Schedule 13D of Vivendi Universal S.A., Amendment No. 14 of a Report on Schedule 13D of BDTV INC., Amendment No. 12 of a Report on Schedule 13D of BDTV II INC., Amendment No. 9 of a Report on Schedule 13D of BDTV III INC. and Amendment No. 8 of a Report on Schedule 13D of BDTV IV INC.

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Statement of

LIBERTY MEDIA CORPORATION,
BARRY DILLER,
UNIVERSAL STUDIOS, INC.,
THE SEAGRAM COMPANY LTD.,
VIVENDI UNIVERSAL S.A.,
BDTV INC.,
BDTV II INC.,
BDTV III INC.
and
BDTV IV INC.

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

in respect of

USA NETWORKS, INC.

This Report on Schedule 13D relates to the common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of USA Networks, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"). The Reports on Schedule 13D, as amended and supplemented, originally filed with the Commission by (i) the reporting group (the "Reporting Group") consisting of Liberty Media Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Liberty"), Mr. Barry Diller, Universal Studios, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Universal"), The Seagram Company Ltd., a Canadian corporation ("Seagram"), Vivendi Universal S.A., a societe anonyme organized under the laws of the Republic of France ("Vivendi Universal"), BDTV INC., a Delaware corporation ("BDTV"), BDTV II INC., a Delaware corporation ("BDTV II"), BDTV III INC., a Delaware corporation ("BDTV III"), and BDTV IV, INC., a Delaware corporation ("BDTV IV") (each, a "Reporting Person"), on February 24, 1998 (the "Reporting Group Schedule 13D"), (ii) Liberty on July 19, 1999 (the "Liberty Schedule 13D"), (iii) Mr. Diller on August 29, 1995 (the "Barry Diller Schedule 13D"), (iv) Universal and Seagram on February 24, 1998 (the "Universal Schedule 13D"), (v) BDTV on August 16, 1996 (the "BDTV Schedule 13D"), (vi) BDTV II on December 24, 1996 (the "BDTV II Schedule 13D"), (vii) BDTV III on July 28, 1997 (the "BDTV III Schedule 13D"), (viii) BDTV IV on February 24, 1998 (the "BDTV IV Schedule 13D") and (ix) Vivendi Universal on August 2, 2001 (the "Vivendi Schedule 13D"), are each hereby amended and supplemented to include the information set forth herein. This Report on Schedule 13D constitutes Amendment No. 8 to the Reporting Group Schedule 13D, Amendment No. 3 to the Liberty Schedule 13D, Amendment No. 18 to the Barry Diller Schedule 13D, Amendment No. 8 to the Universal Schedule 13D, Amendment No. 2 to the Vivendi Schedule 13D, Amendment No. 14 to the BDTV Schedule 13D, Amendment No. 12 to the BDTV II Schedule 13D, Amendment No. 9 to the BDTV III Schedule 13D and Amendment No. 8 to the BDTV IV Schedule 13D. The Reporting Group Schedule 13D, the Liberty Schedule 13D, the Barry Diller Schedule 13D, the Universal Schedule 13D, the Vivendi Schedule 13D, the BDTV Schedule 13D, the BDTV II Schedule 13D, the BDTV III Schedule 13D and the BDTV IV Schedule 13D (each, as amended) are collectively referred to as the "Schedule 13D."

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Capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings given to such terms in the prior Reports on Schedule 13D referred to in this paragraph.

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Information contained herein with respect to each Reporting Person and its executive officers, directors and controlling persons is given solely by such Reporting Person, and no other Reporting Person has responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of information supplied by such other Reporting Person.

ITEM 4. Purpose of the Transaction

The information contained in Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following information:

On December 11, 2001, Vivendi Universal issued a press release concerning an article that was published relating to a proposed sale of the television business and assets owned by the Company (the "Press Release"). The Press Release confirmed that Vivendi Universal and the Company have been having ongoing discussions, which may or may not lead to a business arrangement or agreement. Such discussions have also involved the other Reporting Persons.

The transactions being discussed could result in a material change (i) in the amount of shares of common stock beneficially owned by one or more of the Reporting Persons as well as by the Reporting Group, and (ii) the existing arrangements among the Reporting Persons pursuant to the Transaction Agreements if a business arrangement is consummated or an agreement reached. Any such transactions, however, are not expected to result in any changes in Mr. Diller's equity ownership in the Company. Any such changes cannot be determined until and unless an agreement is reached between the parties, as to which there can be no assurance.

Each Reporting Person reserves the right, depending on market conditions and other factors, and subject to any restrictions described in Item 6 or contained in the agreements attached as Exhibits hereto or incorporated by reference herein, to purchase, directly or indirectly, additional shares of Common Stock in the open market or in private transactions. Alternatively, depending on market conditions and other factors, and subject to any restrictions described in Item 6 or contained in the agreements attached as Exhibits hereto or incorporated by reference herein, each Reporting Person reserves the right to sell, directly or indirectly, all or some of its shares of Common Stock.

Except as described herein or incorporated herein by reference, no Reporting Person or, to the best of its knowledge, any of its directors or executive officers has plans or proposals that relate to or would result in any of the actions set forth in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4.

ITEM 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

The information contained in Item 4 of Schedule 13D is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

Except as set forth or incorporated by reference herein, no Reporting Person nor, to the best knowledge of each Reporting Person, any executive officer or director of such Reporting Person has effected any

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transaction in the Common Stock during the past 60 days.

Each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by each of the other Reporting Persons.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: December 12, 2001

LIBERTY MEDIA CORPORATION

By: /s/ Charles Y. Tanabe

Name: Charles Y. Tanabe, Esq.
Title: Senior Vice President
and General Counsel

BARRY DILLER

/s/ Barry Diller

UNIVERSAL STUDIOS, INC.

By: /s/ Howard Miller

Name: Howard Miller
Title: Assistant Secretary

THE SEAGRAM COMPANY LTD.

By: /s/ John R. Preston

Name: John R. Preston
Title: Vice President

By: /s/ George E. Bushnell, III

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Name: George E. Bushnell, III
Title: Secretary

VIVENDI UNIVERSAL S.A.

By: /s/ George E. Bushnell, III

Name: George E. Bushnell, III
Title: Vice President

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BDTV INC., BDTV II INC.,
BDTV III INC., BDTV IV INC.

By: /s/ Barry Diller

Name: Barry Diller
Title: President

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INDEX TO EXHIBITS

1. Written Agreement between TCI and Mr. Diller regarding Joint Filing of Schedule 13D./*/
2. Definitive Term Sheet regarding Stockholders Agreement, dated as of August 24, 1995, by and between Liberty Media Corporation and Mr. Diller./*/
3. Definitive Term Sheet regarding Equity Compensation Agreement, dated as of August 24, 1995, by and between the Company and Mr. Diller./*/
4. Press Release issued by the Company and Mr. Diller, dated August 25, 1995./*/
5. Letter Agreement, dated November 13, 1995, by and between Liberty Media Corporation and Mr. Diller./*/
6. Letter Agreement, dated November 16, 1995, by and between Liberty Media Corporation and Mr. Diller./*/
7. First Amendment to Stockholders Agreement, dated as of November 27, 1995, by and between Liberty Media Corporation and Mr. Diller./*/

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8. Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of November 27, 1995, by and among Silver Management Company, Liberty Program Investments, Inc., and Liberty HSN, Inc./*/
9. Exchange Agreement, dated as of November 27, 1995, by and between Silver Management Company and Silver King Communications, Inc./*/
10. Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of November 27, 1995, by and among Silver King Communications, Inc., Thames Acquisition Corp. and Savoy Pictures Entertainment, Inc./*/
11. Voting Agreement, dated as of November 27, 1995, by and among Certain Stockholders of the Company and Savoy Pictures Entertainment, Inc./*/
12. Letter Agreement, dated March 22, 1996, by and between Liberty Media Corporation and Barry Diller./*/
13. In re Applications of Roy M. Speer and Silver Management Company, Federal Communications Commission Memorandum and Order, adopted March 6, 1996 and released March 11, 1996./*/
14. In re Applications of Roy M. Speer and Silver Management Company, Request for Clarification of Silver Management Company, dated April 10, 1996./*/
15. In re Applications of Roy M. Speer and Silver Management Company, Federal Communications Commission Memorandum Opinion and Order and Notice of Apparent Liability, adopted June 6, 1996 and released June 14, 1996./*/
16. Amended and Restated Joint Filing Agreement of TCI, Mr. Diller and BDTV./*/

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17. Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of BDTV INC./*/
18. Press Release issued by the Company and Home Shopping Network, Inc., dated August 26, 1996./*/
19. Agreement and Plan of Exchange and Merger, dated as of August 25, 1996, by and among the Company, Home Shopping Network, Inc., House Acquisition Corp., and Liberty HSN, Inc./*/
20. Termination Agreement, dated as of August 25, 1996, among the Company, BDTV Inc., Liberty Program Investments, Inc., and Liberty HSN, Inc./*/
21. Voting Agreement, dated as of August 25, 1996, by and among Certain Stockholders of Home Shopping Network, Inc. and the Company./*/
22. Voting Agreement, dated as of August 25, 1996, by and among Barry Diller, Liberty Media Corporation, Arrow Holdings, LLC, BDTV Inc., and Home Shopping Network, Inc./*/
23. Letter Agreement, dated as of August 25, 1996, by and between Liberty Media Corporation and Barry Diller./*/

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24. Second Amended and Restated Joint Filing Agreement by and between TCI, Mr. Diller, BDTV Inc. and BDTV II Inc./*/
25. Stock Exchange Agreement, dated as of December 20, 1996, by and between the Company and Liberty HSN, Inc./*/
26. Letter Agreement, dated as of February 3, 1997, by and between BDTV INC. and David Geffen./*/
27. Stock Exchange Agreement, dated as of May 20, 1997, by and between HSN, Inc. and Mr. Allen./*/
28. Stockholders Agreement, dated as of May 20, 1997, by and among, Mr. Diller, Mr. Allen and Liberty Media Corporation./*/
29. Letter Agreement, dated as of May 20, 1997, by and between Mr. Diller and Liberty Media Corporation./*/
30. Third Amended and Restated Joint Filing Agreement by and between TCI, Mr. Diller, BDTV Inc., BDTV II Inc. and BDTV III Inc./*/
31. Certificate of Incorporation of BDTV III Inc./*/
32. Investment Agreement among Universal Studios, Inc., HSN, Inc., Home Shopping Network, Inc. and Liberty Media Corporation, dated as of October 19, 1997 as amended and restated as of December 18, 1997./*/
33. Governance Agreement among HSN, Inc., Universal Studios, Inc., Liberty Media Corporation and Barry Diller, dated as of October 19, 1997./*/
34. Stockholders Agreement among Universal Studios, Inc., Liberty Media Corporation, Barry Diller, HSN, Inc. and The Seagram Company Ltd. dated as of October 19, 1997./*/

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35. Spinoff Agreement among Liberty Media Corporation, Universal Studios, Inc. and HSN, Inc. dated as of October 19, 1997./*/
36. Exchange Agreement among HSN, Inc., Universal Studios, Inc. and Liberty Media Corporation, dated as of October 19, 1997./*/
37. Amended and Restated LLC Operating Agreement of USANi LLC, by and among USA Networks, Inc., Home Shopping Network, Inc., Universal Studios, Inc., Liberty Media Corporation and Barry Diller, dated as of February 12, 1998./*/
38. Letter Agreement between Liberty HSN, Inc. and HSN, Inc., dated as of October 19, 1997./*/
39. Fourth Amended and Restated Joint Filing Agreement between Tele-Communications, Inc., Universal Studios, Inc., The Seagram Company Ltd. and Barry Diller, dated as of February 23, 1998./*/
40. Certificate of Incorporation of BDTV IV INC./*/

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41. Fifth Amended and Restated Joint Filing Agreement by and among Tele-Communications, Inc., Liberty Media Corporation, Barry Diller, Universal Studios, Inc., The Seagram Company Ltd., BDTV INC., BDTV II INC., BDTV III INC. and BDTV IV INC, dated as of July 19, 1999./*/
42. Sixth Amended and Restated Joint Filing Agreement by and among Liberty Media Corporation, Barry Diller, Universal Studios, Inc., The Seagram Company Ltd., Vivendi Universal, BDTV INC., DDTV II INC., BDTV III INC. and BDTV IV INC. dated as of June 22, 2001./*/
43. Letter Agreement, dated July 15, 2001, by and among the Company, Mr. Diller, Universal and Liberty./*/

/*/ Previously filed.