

ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP

Form 4

November 18, 2004

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JACKSON MARK W

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS
CORP [DISH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
9601 S. MERIDIAN BOULEVARD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/16/2004

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Pres-EchoStar Technologies

ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A Common Stock	11/16/2004		M		100,000	A	\$ 6 100,350
Class A Common Stock	11/16/2004		S		100,000	D	\$ 32.75 350
Class A Common Stock							11,919
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. De Se (In	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6	11/16/2004		M		40,000		(2)	(3)	Class A Common Stock	40,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6	11/16/2004		M		60,000		(2)	(3)	Class A Common Stock	60,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
JACKSON MARK W 9601 S. MERIDIAN BOULEVARD ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112	Pres-EchoStar Technologies

Signatures

Mark W.
Jackson 11/18/2004

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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On March 8, 2000, the Company issued an additional 60,000 shares of Class A Common Stock to EchoStar Communications Corporation's 401(k) Employee's Savings Plan (the "Plan"). The number of shares reported in column 5 represents the total number of shares allocated to the reporting person's account through the Plan date. The reporting person has dispositive, but no voting power with respect to the shares.

- (2) The shares underlying the option vest at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on March 31, 2000.
- (3) Each portion of the option expires five years from the date on which that portion of the option first becomes exercisable.

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