#### ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP

Form 4

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### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MOSKOWITZ DAVID K			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP [DISH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)
(Last) 9601 SOUTH BOULEVAR		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/11/2004	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Gen Counsel and Sec.
	(Street)		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
ENGLEWOOD, CO 80120				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	10/11/2004		S(1)	44,500	D	\$ 33	449,470	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/11/2004		S <u>(1)</u>	500	D	\$ 33.03	448,970	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/11/2004		S <u>(1)</u>	5,000	D	\$ 33.04	443,970	D	
Class A	10/12/2004		S(1)	8,800	D	\$ 32.3	435,170	D	

Common Stock								
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	1,100	D	\$ 32.31	434,070	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	4,700	D	\$ 32.4	429,370	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	7,200	D	\$ 32.5	422,170	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	9,300	D	\$ 32.55	412,870	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	9,900	D	\$ 32.6	402,970	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	600	D	\$ 32.62	402,370	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	16,200	D	\$ 32.65	386,170	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	4,100	D	\$ 32.66	382,070	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 32.67	381,970	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	900	D	\$ 32.68	381,070	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	20,100	D	\$ 32.75	360,970	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 32.83	360,870	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/12/2004	S <u>(1)</u>	16,900	D	\$ 32.9	343,970	D	
Class A Common Stock						17,333	I	I (2)

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Class A Common Stock	8,184	I	I (3)
Class A Common Stock	1,328	I	I (4)
Class A Common Stock	32,984	I	I (5)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5.  Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MOSKOWITZ DAVID K 9601 SOUTH MERIDIAN BOULEVARD ENGLEWOOD, CO 80120	X		EVP, Gen Counsel and Sec.			

# **Signatures**

David K.	
Moskowitz	10/13/200
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (2) By 401(k) Plan.
- (3) The shares are held by the reporting person in trust for the benefit of the children of Charles W. Ergen, the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares.
- (4) The shares are held by the reporting person as custodian for his minor children.
- The shares were contributed by the reporting person to a charitable foundation. The reporting person is a member of the board of directors of the charitable foundation and has both investment control and voting power with respect to the shares. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares.

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