

SCHAVER STEVEN B
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 SCHAVER STEVEN B

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)
 11/26/2004

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President - EIC

ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Class A Common Stock	11/26/2004		M	10,100	A \$ 6	40,450	D
Class A Common Stock	11/26/2004		S	6,200	D \$ 33.776	34,250	D
Class A Common Stock	11/26/2004		S	3,900	D \$ 33.751	30,350	D
Class A Common	11/29/2004		M	6,121	A \$ 6	36,471	D

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Stock								
Class A Common Stock	11/29/2004		S	6,121	D	\$ 33.771	30,350	D
Class A Common Stock	11/30/2004		M	3,914	A	\$ 6	34,264	D
Class A Common Stock	11/30/2004		S	3,914	D	\$ 33.75	30,350	D
Class A Common Stock							16,294	I I <u>(1)</u>

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6	11/26/2004		M	10,100	<u>(2)</u> 03/31/2009	Class A Common Stock 10,100
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6	11/29/2004		M	6,121	<u>(2)</u> 03/31/2009	Class A Common Stock 6,121
Employee Stock Option	\$ 6	11/30/2004		M	3,914	<u>(2)</u> 03/31/2009	Class A Common Stock 3,914

(Right to
Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHAVER STEVEN B 9601 S. MERIDIAN BOULEVARD ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112			President - EIC	

Signatures

Steven B.
Schaver

11/30/2004

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) By 401(k).
- (2) The shares underlying the option vest at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on March 31, 2000.

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