

DUGAN MICHAEL T
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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 *
 DUGAN MICHAEL T

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 SOUTH MERIDIAN BOULEVARD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/12/2004

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Class A Common Stock	11/12/2004		M	50,000	A	\$ 2.125	160,350	D
Class A Common Stock	11/12/2004		S	50,000	D	\$ 32.43	110,350	D
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2004		M	50,000	A	\$ 2.125	160,350	D
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2004		S	7,847	D	\$ 32.4	152,503	D

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Common Stock								
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2004	S	2,300	D	\$ 32.33	150,203	D	
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2004	S	1,000	D	\$ 32.32	149,203	D	
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2004	S	3,400	D	\$ 32.31	145,803	D	
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2004	S	35,453	D	\$ 32.3	110,350	D	
Class A Common Stock						17,654	I	I ⁽¹⁾

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.125	11/12/2004		M	50,000	<u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Class A Common Stock	50,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$ 2.125	11/15/2004		M	50,000	<u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Class A Common Stock	50,000

Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DUGAN MICHAEL T 9601 SOUTH MERIDIAN BOULEVARD ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112	X			

Signatures

Michael T.
Dugan

11/16/2004

**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 December 31, 1998.
 - (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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