ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MOSKOWITZ DAVID K

(Last) (First) (Middle)

9601 SOUTH MERIDIAN BOULEVARD

(Street)

ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/10/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP, Gen Counsel and Sec.

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

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock	02/10/2005		M		48,000	A	$ 2.125	509,970	D	
Class A Common Stock								32,984	I	I (1)
Class A Common Stock								17,333	I	I (2)
Class A								8,184	I	I (3)

Common Stock					
Class A Common Stock			1,328	I	I [(4)]

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 Sec (In
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 2.125	02/10/2005		M			48,000	[(5)]	[(6)]	Class A Common Stock	48,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MOSKOWITZ DAVID K 9601 SOUTH MERIDIAN BOULEVARD ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112	X		EVP, Gen Counsel and Sec.	

Signatures

/s/ David K. Moskowitz	02/14/2005
[**]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) The shares were contributed by the reporting person to a charitable foundation. The reporting person is a member of the Board of Directors for the charitable foundation and has both investment control and voting power for the foundation. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares.

(2) By 401(k).

(3) The shares 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.

(5) The shares underlying the option vested at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on March 31, 1998.

(6) Each portion of the option expires five years from the date on which that portion of the option first becomes available.

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