DIRECT	ΓV GROUP INC
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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): July 27, 2004

THE DIRECTV GROUP, INC.

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE

_____ (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-26035

_____ (Commission File Number)

52-1106564 _____ (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

90245

(Zip Code)

2250 EAST IMPERIAL HIGHWAY EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA

(Address of Principal Executive offices)

(310) 964-0808 _____

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code

NOT APPLICABLE _____

(Former Name or Former Address, if changed Since Last Report)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On July 27, 2004, John L. Thornton resigned as a member of The DIRECTV Group, Inc.'s board of directors. The board has not yet appointed a new member to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Thornton's resignation.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

The DIRECTV Group, Inc.

Date: July 27, 2004

By: /s/ Larry D. Hunter

Name: Larry D. Hunter Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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