

EHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ERGEN CHARLES W

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/07/2006

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

ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 03/07/2006 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 125 A <u>(2)</u> | 214,027 | D | |
| Class A Common Stock | 03/07/2006 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 125 A <u>(2)</u> | 235 | I | I ⁽³⁾ |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | 350,000 | I | I ⁽⁴⁾ |
| Class A Common | | | | | 16,800 | I | I ⁽⁵⁾ |

Stock

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|----------------------------|--------|---|------------------|
| Class A Common Stock | 18,408 | I | I ⁽⁶⁾ |
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| Class A Common Stock | 922 | I | I ⁽⁷⁾ |
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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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | 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 |
| ERGEN CHARLES W 9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD. ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112 | X | X | Chairman and CEO | |
| ERGEN CANTEY 9601 S. MERIDIAN BOULEVARD ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Charles W. Ergen by Robert Rehg, his Attorney in Fact

03/17/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Cantey M. Ergen by Robert Rehg, his Attorney in
Fact

03/17/2006

__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) Award granted for no consideration to all eligible employees upon achievement of a Company milestone.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Held by Ms. Cantey Ergen.
- (4) Held by a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust ("GRAT"). The reporting persons disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares, except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.
- (5) The shares are held by a custodian for the reporting persons' minor children. The reporting persons disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares, except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.
- (6) Held by Mr. Charlie Ergen in a 401(k) account.
- (7) Held by Ms. Cantey Ergen in a 401(k) account.

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