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): March 14, 2008

ECHOSTAR CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEVADA (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-33807 (Commission File Number) 26-1232727 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

90 INVERNESS CIRCLE E. ENGLEWOOD, COLORADO (Address of principal executive offices) 80112 (Zip Code)

(303) 723-1000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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On March 14, 2008, a Proton launch vehicle carrying the SES Americom AMC-14 satellite experienced an anomaly which left the satellite in a lower orbit than planned. While further testing will be necessary, the satellite appears to be functional. Engineers from SES Americom and Lockheed Martin, the manufacturer of the satellite, are exploring options to potentially bring AMC-14 into its proper orbit. If those efforts are successful, station keeping fuel would be required to correct the orbit, so the service life of the satellite would be substantially reduced.

We are not obligated to make any monthly lease payments to SES Americom unless the satellite is successfully placed into commercial operation. We also made significant up front payments with respect to the satellite prior to launch, substantially all of which are covered by insurance we procured.

We intended to lease the satellite to DISH Network Corporation. That revenue opportunity would be lost if the satellite cannot be placed into commercial operation.

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Date: March 17, 2008

SIGNATURES

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

ECHOSTAR CORPORATION

By: /s/ R. Stanton Dodge

R. Stanton Dodge Executive Vice President, General Counsel and

Secretary