

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Dodge R Stanton</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD.  (Street) ENGLEWOOD CO 80112  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 06/29/2007	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP [ DISH ]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) EVP, Gen Counsel and Sec	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Class A Common Stock	183 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Class A Common Stock	2,142	I	I <sup>(2)</sup>

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	02/17/2009	Class A Common Stock	80,000	6	D
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	03/31/2009	Class A Common Stock	18,440	10.2	D
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(5)	03/31/2013	Class A Common Stock	10,000	28.88	D
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(6)	03/31/2014	Class A Common Stock	10,000	32.75	D
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(7)	06/30/2014	Class A Common Stock	10,000	30.75	D
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(8)	03/31/2015	Class A Common Stock	37,500	29.25	D
Restricted Stock Units	(9)	03/31/2015	Class A Common Stock	12,500	(10)	D
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(11)	03/31/2015	Class A Common Stock	25,000	29.25	D

Explanation of Responses:

- Shares acquired under the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- By 401(k).
- The grant is subject to achievement of certain performance criteria and a vesting schedule of 20% per year commencing on February 17, 2000.
- The shares underlying the option vested at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on March 31, 2000.
- The shares underlying the option vest at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on March 31, 2004.
- The shares underlying the option vest at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on March 31, 2005.
- The shares underlying the option vest at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on June 30, 2005.
- The grant is subject to achievement of certain performance criteria and a vesting schedule of 10% per year commencing March 31, 2006 until March 31, 2009 and 20% per year thereafter.
- The grant is subject to achievement of certain performance criteria and a vesting schedule of 10% per year commencing March 31, 2006 until March 31, 2009 and 20% per year thereafter.
- Each unit converts upon vesting into one share of stock, which will be issued to the reporting person immediately upon vesting.
- The shares underlying the option vest at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on March 31, 2006.

Remarks:

/s/ R. Stanton Dodge, by  
Brandon Ehrhart, his Attorney 07/03/2007  
in Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Robert F. Rehg, Brandon Ehrhart, Lori Kalani, James Gorman and Tracy Strickland signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of EchoStar Communications Corporation (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and

powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 22nd, day of June, 2007.

/s/ R. Stanton Dodge

Signature

R. Stanton Dodge

Print Name