FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* DAINES O NOLAN					EC	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP DISH]									Check all Di	ship of Reporting policable) rector ficer (give title		10% C	wner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 9601 SOUTH MERIDIAN BOULEVARD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2006										X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVPBusiness Development					
(Street) ENGLEWOOD CO 80112					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(City)	((State	e) (Z	Zip)													Person				
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Award granted for no consideration to all eligible employees upon achievement of a Company milestone.
- 2. Not applicable.
- 3. By 401(k).

Remarks:

/s/ O. Nolan Daines by Brandon Ehrhart as his

03/17/2006

Attorney in Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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