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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>RAYNER DAVID</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
			ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP [DISH]	X	Director Officer (give title	10% Owner Other (specify			
(Last) (First) 9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD.		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2006		below) Executive Vice	below)			
(Street) ENGLEWOOD (City)	CO (State)	80112 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filir Form filed by One Re Form filed by More that Person	porting Person			

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date,		iction Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	(I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)

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

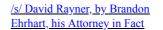
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security curity (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	09/30/2006		A		60,000		(2)	09/30/2016	Class A Common Stock	60,000	\$0	60,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each unit converts upon vesting into one share of stock, which will be issued to the reporting person immediately upon vesting.

2. The grant is subject to achievement of certain performance criteria and will vest at the rate of 10% per year commencing September 30, 2007 until September 30, 2010 and then at the rate of 20% per year thereafter

Remarks:



10/02/2006

** 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 4 (b)(v).

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