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 27, 2009

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.)

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

(303) 706-4000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 5.02Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Carl E. Vogel announced that he will be resigning from the Board of Directors of EchoStar Corporation ("EchoStar") and from his position as Senior Advisor of EchoStar and its subsidiaries, effective March 30, 2009.

Mr. R. Stanton Dodge was appointed to fill the vacancy on our board of directors created by Mr. Vogel's resignation. Mr. Dodge is currently our Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary and holds the same positions at DISH Network Corporation. Since joining DISH Network in November 1996, he has held various positions of increasing responsibility within its legal department.

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

Date: March 31, 2009

By: <u>/s/ R. Stanton Dodge</u> R. Stanton Dodge Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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