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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Name and Address of Reporting Person* DEFRANCO JAMES							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
<u>DEFRANCO JAMES</u>						[DIS	[DISH]									X	Director		10% (
(Last) (First) (Middle)																X	belov	er (give title v)	Other below	(specify)
9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD.							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/13/2006									Executive Vice President				
(Street)						4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
ENGLEWOOD CO 80112																X	Form filed by One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip)																Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da					ay/Year) if		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		ties cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
										Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		Transa	ted action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Class A C	Common S	Stoc	k		11/13	/2006				S ⁽¹⁾		1,000		D	\$ <mark>36</mark> .	65	4,7	29,527	D	
Class A Common Stock					11/13/2006					S ⁽¹⁾		6,000		D	\$36.67		4,723,527		D	
Class A Common Stock 11						13/2006				S ⁽¹⁾	S ⁽¹⁾			D	\$36.68		4,719,527		D	
Class A Common Stock					11/13	11/13/2006				S ⁽¹⁾		5,000		D	\$36.7		4,714,527		D	
Class A Common Stock 11/1						/2006				S ⁽¹⁾		1,000		D	\$36.73		4,713,527		D	
Class A Common Stock 11/13/						2006				S ⁽¹⁾		1,000		D	\$36.74		4,712,527		D	
Class A Common Stock																	5	0,000	I	I ⁽²⁾
Class A Common Stock																	8	3,183	I	I ⁽³⁾
Class A Common Stock																2,2	250,000	I	I ⁽⁴⁾	
Class A Common Stock																	1	8,412	I	I ⁽⁵⁾
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
L. Title of Derivative Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security			ed 4. Date, Transa Code (l		on str.	5. Number 6. of E		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	xercis n Date	able and	7. T Am Sec Und Der Sec	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instrand 4)		8. Price Deriva Securi (Instr.		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((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 Expiration Date			Title	or Nui of	ount nber ıres											

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- 2. The shares are held by the reporting person in an irrevocable trust for the benefit of the reporting person's minor children and grandchildren. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the
- 3. The shares are being held by the reporting person as custodian for his minor children.
- 4. The shares are held by DeFranco Investments Co., Ltd., a general partnership, of which the reporting person is sole general partner.
- 5. By 401(k).

Remarks:

Due to SEC rules limiting the number of transactions that can be reported on a single Form 4, this Form 4 is part 2 of 2 for transactions effected by the reporting person on November 10, 2006 and November 13, 2006.

> /s/ James DeFranco, by Robert Rehg, his Attorney in Fact

11/14/2006

** 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).
- ** 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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