

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): August 14, 2002

ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

NEVADA
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-26176
(Commission
File Number)

88-0336997
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

5701 S. SANTA FE DRIVE
LITTLETON, COLORADO
(Address of principal executive offices)

80120
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(303) 723-1000

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed herewith:

| <u>Exhibit Number</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 99.1 | Sworn Statement of Chief Executive Officer, dated July 12, 2002, pursuant to SEC Order dated June 27, 2002 (SEC File No. 4-460) |
| 99.2 | Sworn Statement of Chief Financial Officer, dated August 9, 2002, pursuant to SEC Order dated June 27, 2002 (SEC File No. 4-460) |

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On August 14, 2002, EchoStar Communications Corporation ("EchoStar") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") original sworn statements of EchoStar's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer as required by the SEC's Order 4-460 issued on June 27, 2002 (SEC File No. 4-460). Copies of the sworn statements are attached hereto as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively, and are incorporated by reference herein.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

EHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

Dated: August 14, 2002

By: /s/ Michael R. McDonnell

Michael R. McDonnell,
Senior Vice President Chief Financial Officer

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Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings

I, Charles W. Ergen, state and attest that:

- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of EchoStar Communications Corporation (“EchoStar”), and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
 - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
 - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
- (2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with EchoStar’s audit committee.
- (3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a “covered report”:
 - 2001 Annual Report on Form 10-K of EchoStar filed with the Commission;
 - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of EchoStar filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
 - any amendments to any of the foregoing.

/s/ Charles W. Ergen
Charles W. Ergen
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
July 12, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to
before me this 12th day of
July 2002.

/s/ Joseph J. Nolly
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: March 22, 2005

Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings

I, Michael R. McDonnell, state and attest that:

- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of EchoStar Communications Corporation (“EchoStar”), and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
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/s/ Michael R. McDonnell
Michael R. McDonnell
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
August 9, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to
before me this 9th day of
August 2002.

/s/ Joseph J. Nolly
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: March 22, 2005