Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KISER KYLE J  (Last) (First) (Middle)  9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD.						Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP     [ DISH ]      3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     11/19/2004										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title X Other (specify below)  Treasurer					
(Street) ENGLEWOOD CO 80112 (City) (State) (Zip)					4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
1 Title of	Security (Ins		ole I - Noi	1-Deriv			Curit		÷	ired, I	Dis	osed o				y Owned		6.0	vnership	7. Nature	
Date						th/Day/Year)		Execution Date,			ction nstr.	Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,				Securitie Benefici Owned I	es ally Following	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
											v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Stock 11/1						)4				М		42		A	\$2.7	5 21	,665	D			
Class A Common Stock 11/19						/2004				M		16,00	00	A	\$10.	2 37	,665		D		
Class A Common Stock																1,	.,936		I	<b>I</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	
Class A Common Stock																5,945			I	<b>I</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	
			Table II -									osed of, onverti				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Deri Sec Acq (A) ( Disp of (I	umber vative urities uired or oosed O) (Instr. and 5)	Exp	Date Exe piration onth/Da	Date		7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		s Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4		Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe			Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$2.75	11/19/2004		1				42		(3)		(4)	Con	ass A mmon tock		\$0	0		D		
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$10.2	11/19/2004			М			16,000		(5)	o	3/31/2009	Con	iss A nmon ock	16,000	\$0	0		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. By ESPP.
- 3. The shares underlying the option vest at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on March 31, 1999.
- 4. Each portion of the option expires five years from the date on which that portion of the option first becomes excercisable.
- 5. The shares underlying the option vest at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on March 31, 2000.

## Remarks:

Kyle J. Kiser

11/19/2004

\*\* 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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