

ERGEN CHARLES W  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ERGEN CHARLES W

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
100 INVERNESS TERRACE E.  
(Street)

ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
EchoStar CORP [SATS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
04/24/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Class A Common Stock	04/24/2012		M		16,000 A \$ 24.38	74,578	D
Class A Common Stock	04/24/2012		M		80,000 A \$ 25.96	154,578	D
Class A Common Stock						10,734	I I (1)
Class A Common						47	I I (2)

Stock				
Class A Common Stock		3,705	I	I <sup>(3)</sup>
Class A Common Stock		201	I	I <sup>(4)</sup>
Class A Common Stock		5,400	I	I <sup>(5)</sup>

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.38	04/24/2012		M	16,000	<sup>(6)</sup> 03/31/2013	Class A Common Stock 16,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.96	04/24/2012		M	80,000	<sup>(7)</sup> 06/30/2014	Class A Common Stock 80,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ERGEN CHARLES W  
100 INVERNESS TERRACE E.      X              X              Chairman  
ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

## Signatures

/s/ Charles W. Ergen, by James Gorman, his Attorney in  
Fact

04/26/2012

       \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

- (1) The shares are held by a custodian for the reporting person's children. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares, except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.
- (2) Held by Ms. Cantey Ergen.
- (3) Held by Mr. Charlie Ergen in a 401(k) account.
- (4) Held by Ms. Cantey Ergen in a 401(k) account.

The shares are held by a charitable foundation. The reporting person is an officer of the charitable foundation and has both investment control and voting power for the foundation. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares, except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.

- (6) The shares underlying the option vested at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on March 31, 2004.
- (7) The shares underlying the option vested at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on June 30, 2005.

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