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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

### **SCHEDULE 13D/A**

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 15)\*

### DISH NETWORK CORPORATION

(Name of Issuer)

### CLASS A COMMON STOCK, \$0.01 PAR VALUE PER SHARE

(Title of Class of Securities)

### 25470M 109

(CUSIP Number)

### R. Stanton Dodge

**Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary** 

**DISH Network Corporation** 

9601 S. Meridian Blvd.

Englewood, Colorado 80112

(303) 723-1000

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

**December 2, 2013** 

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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#### CUSIP No. 25470M 109

1.	Name of Reporting Person Charles W. Ergen	
2.	Check the Appropriate Box is (a) (b)	f a Member of a Group:  o x
3.	SEC Use Only	
4.	Source of Funds OO	
5.	Check if Disclosure of Legal	Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e) o
6.	Citizenship or Place of Organ U.S.A.	nization
	7.	Sole Voting Power 204,032,169 VOTING SHARES (1)
		925,000 SIXTY DAY SHARES (2)
Number of Shares Beneficially	8.	Shared Voting Power 19,617,692 OTHER SHARES (3)
Owned by Each Reporting Person With	9.	Sole Dispositive Power 204,032,169 VOTING SHARES (1)
		925,000 SIXTY DAY SHARES (2)
	10.	Shared Dispositive Power 19,617,692 OTHER SHARES (3)
11.	Aggregate Amount Beneficia 224,574,861	ally Owned by The Reporting Person
12.	Check if the Aggregate Amor	unt in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares* o
13.	Percent of Class Represented Approximately 50.8 % (4)	by Amount in Row (11)
14.	Type of Reporting Person IN	

<sup>(1)</sup> Voting Shares include all shares of Class A Common Stock (Class A Common Stock) and Class B Common Stock (Class B Common Stock) of DISH Network Corporation (DISH Network) of which Mr. Ergen is the sole beneficial owner. The shares of Class B Common Stock are convertible into shares of Class A Common Stock on a one-for-one basis at any time. The Voting Shares represent: (i) 2,144,511 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially directly by Mr. Ergen; (ii) 19,480 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially indirectly by Mr. Ergen through DISH Network s 401(k) Employee Savings Plan; (iii) 14,320 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially by Mr. Ergen as custodian for his minor children; (iv) 27,000 shares of Class A Common Stock held by a charitable foundation; and (v) 201,826,858 shares of Class B Common Stock owned beneficially directly by Mr. Ergen.

- (2) Sixty Day Shares are shares of Class A Common Stock deemed to be owned beneficially under Rule 13d-3(d)(1) because Mr. Ergen has the right to acquire beneficial ownership of such shares within 60 days of the date hereof. Upon acquisition by Mr. Ergen, these shares will become Voting Shares.
- (3) Other Shares represent: (i) 235 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially by Mr. Ergen s spouse Cantey Ergen; (ii) 1,920 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially indirectly by Mrs. Ergen through DISH Network s 401(k) Employee Savings Plan; (iii) 9,192,670 shares of Class B Common Stock owned beneficially by Mrs. Ergen solely by virtue of her position as trustee of the Ergen Four-Year 2010 DISH GRAT; and (iv) 10,422,867 shares of Class B Common Stock owned beneficially by Mrs. Ergen solely by virtue of her position as trustee of the Ergen Five-Year 2010 DISH GRAT.
- (4) Based on 219,609,284 shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding on November 29, 2013 and assuming conversion of the shares of Class B Common Stock held by Mr. Ergen into Class A Common Stock. Because such Class B Common Stock is convertible on a one-for-one basis into Class A Common Stock, assuming conversion of all shares of outstanding Class B Common Stock into Class A Common Stock, the percentage of the Class A Common Stock that Mr. Ergen may be deemed to own beneficially would be approximately 48.9%. Because each share of Class B Common Stock is entitled to 10 votes per share, Mr. Ergen owns beneficially equity securities of DISH Network representing approximately 85.1% of the voting power of DISH Network (assuming no conversion of the Class B Common Stock).

#### CUSIP No. 25470M 109

1.	Name of Reporting Person Cantey M. Ergen		
2.	Check the Appropriate Box	if a Member of a Group:	
	(a) (b)	0 X	
		-	
3.	SEC Use Only		
4.	Source of Funds OO		
5.	Check if Disclosure of Lega	al Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)	o
6.	Citizenship or Place of Org U.S.A.	anization	
	7.	Sole Voting Power 19,617,692 VOTING SHARES (1)	
Number of	8.	Shared Voting Power	
Shares Beneficially		204,032,169 OTHER SHARES (2)	
Owned by	9.	Sole Dispositive Power	
Each Reporting	9.	19,617,692 VOTING SHARES (1)	
Person With	10		
	10.	Shared Dispositive Power 204,032,169 OTHER SHARES (2)	
11.	Aggregate Amount Benefic 223,649,861	ially Owned by The Reporting Person	
12.	Check if the Aggregate Am	ount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares* o	
13.	Percent of Class Represented Approximately 50.7% (3)	ed by Amount in Row (11)	
14.	Type of Reporting Person IN		

<sup>(1)</sup> Voting Shares include all shares of Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock of DISH Network of which Mrs. Ergen is the sole beneficial owner. The shares of Class B Common Stock are convertible into shares of Class A Common Stock on a one-for-one basis at any time. The Voting Shares represent: (i) 235 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially directly by Mrs. Ergen; (ii) 1,920 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially indirectly by Mrs. Ergen through DISH Network s 401(k) Employee Savings Plan; (iii) 9,192,670 shares of Class B Common Stock owned beneficially by Mrs. Ergen solely by virtue of her position as trustee of the Ergen Four-Year 2010 DISH GRAT; and (iv) 10,422,867 shares of Class B Common Stock owned beneficially by Mrs. Ergen solely by virtue of her position as trustee of the Ergen Five-Year 2010 DISH GRAT. There is no arrangement or agreement between any of the trusts identified in clauses (iii) and (iv) above to vote or dispose of any shares of DISH Network. Mrs. Ergen exercises voting and dispositive power with respect to each such trust independently and in accordance with her fiduciary responsibilities to the beneficiaries of such trusts.

(2) Other Shares represent: (i) 2,144,511 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially directly by Mr. Ergen, Mrs. Ergen s spouse; (ii) 19,480 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially indirectly by Mr. Ergen through DISH Network s 401(k) Employee Savings Plan; (iii) 14,320 shares of Class A Common Stock owned beneficially by Mr. Ergen as custodian for his minor children; (iv) 27,000 shares of Class A Common Stock held by a charitable foundation; and (v) 201,826,858 shares of Class B Common Stock owned beneficially directly by Mr. Ergen.

(3) Based on 219,609,284 shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding on November 29, 2013 and assuming conversion of the shares of Class B Common Stock held by Mrs. Ergen into Class A Common Stock. Because such Class B Common Stock is convertible on a one-for-one basis into Class A Common Stock, assuming conversion of all shares of outstanding Class B Common Stock into Class A Common Stock, the percentage of the Class A Common Stock that Mrs. Ergen may be deemed to own beneficially would be approximately 48.8%. Because each share of Class B Common Stock is entitled to 10 votes per share, Mrs. Ergen owns beneficially equity securities of DISH Network representing approximately 85.1% of the voting power of DISH Network (assuming no conversion of the Class B Common Stock).

#### CUSIP No. 25470M 109

1.	Name of Reporting Person Ergen Four-Year 2010 DISH GF	RAT
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a (a) (b)	Member of a Group:  o x
3.	SEC Use Only	
4.	Source of Funds OO	
5.	Check if Disclosure of Legal Pro	occeedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e) o
6.	Citizenship or Place of Organiza Colorado	tion
	7.	Sole Voting Power 9,192,670 VOTING SHARES (1)
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by	8.	Shared Voting Power 0
Each Reporting Person With	9.	Sole Dispositive Power 9,192,670 VOTING SHARES (1)
	10.	Shared Dispositive Power 0
11.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially 9,192,670	Owned by The Reporting Person
12.	Check if the Aggregate Amount	in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares* o
13.	Percent of Class Represented by Approximately 4.0% (2)	Amount in Row (11)
14.	Type of Reporting Person OO	

<sup>(1)</sup> All of the shares beneficially held by the Ergen Four-Year 2010 DISH GRAT are shares of Class B Common Stock. The shares of Class B Common Stock are convertible into shares of Class A Common Stock on a one-for-one basis at any time.

<sup>(2)</sup> Based on 219,609,284 shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding on November 29, 2013 and assuming conversion of the shares of Class B Common Stock held by the Ergen Four-Year 2010 DISH GRAT into Class A Common Stock. Because such Class B Common Stock is convertible on a one-for-one basis into Class A Common Stock, assuming conversion of all shares of outstanding Class B Common Stock into Class A Common Stock, the percentage of the Class A Common Stock that the Ergen Four-Year 2010 DISH GRAT may be deemed to own beneficially would be approximately 2.0%. Because each share of Class B Common Stock is entitled to 10 votes per share, the Ergen Four-Year 2010 DISH GRAT owns beneficially equity securities of DISH Network representing approximately 3.5% of the voting power of DISH Network (assuming no conversion of the Class B Common Stock).

### CUSIP No. 25470M 109

1.	Name of Reporting Person Ergen Five-Year 2010 DISH GRA	NT.
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a M (a) (b)	ember of a Group:  o x
3.	SEC Use Only	
4.	Source of Funds OO	
5.	Check if Disclosure of Legal Proc	eedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e) o
6.	Citizenship or Place of Organization Colorado	on
	7.	Sole Voting Power 10,422,867 VOTING SHARES (1)
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by	8.	Shared Voting Power 0
Each Reporting Person With	9.	Sole Dispositive Power 10,422,867 VOTING SHARES (1)
	10.	Shared Dispositive Power 0
11.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially O 10,422,867	Owned by The Reporting Person
12.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in	n Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares* o
13.	Percent of Class Represented by A Approximately 4.5% (2)	Amount in Row (11)
14.	Type of Reporting Person OO	

(1) All of the shares beneficially held by the Ergen Five-Year 2010 DISH GRAT are shares of Class B Common Stock. The shares of Class B Common Stock are convertible into shares of Class A Common Stock on a one-for-one basis at any time.

<sup>(2)</sup> Based on 219,609,284 shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding on November 29, 2013 and assuming conversion of the shares of Class B Common Stock held by the Ergen Five-Year 2010 DISH GRAT into Class A Common Stock. Because such Class B Common Stock is convertible on a one-for-one basis into Class A Common Stock, assuming conversion of all shares of outstanding Class B Common Stock into Class A Common Stock, the percentage of the Class A Common Stock that the Ergen Five-Year 2010 DISH GRAT may be deemed to own

beneficially would be approximately 2.3%. Because each share of Class B Common Stock is entitled to 10 votes per share, the Ergen Five-Year 2010 DISH GRAT owns beneficially equity securities of DISH Network representing approximately 4.0% of the voting power of DISH Network (assuming no conversion of the Class B Common Stock).

Item 2.	Identity and Background.
Item 2 is amended and restated as follo	ws:
Four-Year GRAT ); and (d) the Ergen	(a) Charles W. Ergen; (b) Cantey M. Ergen; (c) the Ergen Four-Year 2010 DISH GRAT ( 2010 Five-Year 2010 DISH GRAT ( 2010 Five-Year GRAT , and collectively with the 2010 Four-Year GRAT, referred to as the Reporting Persons. This Schedule 13D relates solely to, and is being filed for, shares held GRATs.
(A) Charles W. Ergen	
Meridian Blvd., Englewood, Colorado (excluding traffic violations or similar jurisdiction and as a result of such proc	nairman of DISH Network and Chairman of EchoStar Corporation, and his principal address is 9601 S. 80112. Mr. Ergen has not, during the last five years, (i) been convicted in a criminal proceeding misdemeanors) or (ii) been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent eeding been subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or r state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws. Mr. Ergen is a citizen of the
(B) Cantey M. Ergen	
Englewood, Colorado 80112. Mrs. Erg violations or similar misdemeanors) or a result of such proceeding been subject	mber of the Board of Directors of DISH Network and her principal address is 9601 S. Meridian Blvd., en has not, during the last five years, (i) been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic (ii) been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as it to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activity ws or finding any violation with respect to such laws. Mrs. Ergen is a citizen of the United States.
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### (C) 2010 Four-Year GRAT

The 2010 Four-Year GRAT was formed under the laws of the State of Colorado and its principal business is to hold a portion of the assets and estate of Mr. Ergen. Its address is c/o Mrs. Ergen, as Trustee, at 9601 S. Meridian Blvd., Englewood, Colorado 80112. The 2010 Four-Year GRAT has not, during the last five years, (i) been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or (ii) been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding been subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activity subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws. As trustee of the 2010 Four-Year GRAT, Mrs. Ergen is vested with sole voting and investment power over the 9,192,670 shares of Class B Common Stock held by the 2010 Four-Year GRAT, except as set forth in Item 6 below.

#### (D) 2010 Five-Year GRAT

The 2010 Five-Year GRAT was formed under the laws of the State of Colorado and its principal business is to hold a portion of the assets and estate of Mr. Ergen. Its address is c/o Mrs. Ergen, as Trustee, at 9601 S. Meridian Blvd., Englewood, Colorado 80112. The 2010 Five-Year GRAT has not, during the last five years, (i) been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or (ii) been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding been subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activity subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws. As trustee of the 2010 Five-Year GRAT, Mrs. Ergen is vested with sole voting and investment power over the 10,422,867 shares of Class B Common Stock held by the 2010 Five-Year GRAT, except as set forth in Item 6 below.

#### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

During the fourth quarter of each year, Mr. Ergen receives an annuity amount from each of the 2010 GRATs under the trust agreements governing the 2010 GRATs, assuming that the particular GRAT has not expired. The number of shares of Class B Common Stock to be distributed as an annuity payment is based in part on the price of the Class A Common Stock on the distribution date and therefore cannot be calculated until the date of distribution. In addition to shares of Class B Common Stock, the annuity payments (and their associated timing) may include, and be based upon, amounts generated from the holdings of each GRAT including, among other things, stock recapitalizations or dividends paid or payable with respect to the Class B Common Stock held by each GRAT. On December 2, 2013, the 2010 Three-Year GRAT distributed 1,591,150 shares of Class B Common Stock held by the 2010 Three-Year GRAT to Mr. Ergen as an annuity payment, the 2010 Three-Year GRAT distributed the remaining 7,106,372 shares of Class B Common Stock held by the 2010 Three-Year GRAT to a trust, the beneficiaries of which are members of Mr. Ergen s family, and the 2010 Three-Year GRAT expired in accordance with its terms. On December 2, 2013, the 2010 Four-Year GRAT distributed 1,013,067 shares of Class B Common Stock held by the 2010 Four-Year GRAT to Mr. Ergen as an annuity payment. Therefore, the 2010 Four-Year GRAT will expire in accordance with its terms on November 30, 2014. On December 2, 2013, the 2010 Five-Year GRAT distributed 672,146 shares of Class B Common Stock held by the 2010 Five-Year GRAT to Mr. Ergen as an annuity payment. Therefore, the 2010 Five-Year GRAT currently has beneficial ownership of 10,422,867 shares of Class B Common Stock. The 2010 Five-Year GRAT currently has beneficial ownership of 10,422,867 shares of Class B Common Stock. The 2010 Five-Year GRAT will expire in accordance with its terms on November 30, 2015.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Item 5 is amended and restated as follows:

(a) This filing is for the cumulative share holdings of an affiliated group as of the close of business on December 2, 2013. See Items 11 and 13 of the cover pages to this Amendment No. 15 for the aggregate number of shares of Class A Common Stock and percentage of Class A Common Stock beneficially owned by each of the Reporting Persons. The Reporting Persons beneficial ownership of shares of Class A Common Stock excludes 16,992,813 shares of Class A Common Stock issuable upon conversion of shares of Class B Common Stock held by certain trusts established by Mr. Ergen for the benefit of his family.
(b) See Items 7 through 10 of the cover pages to this Amendment No. 15 for the number of shares of Class A Common Stock beneficially owned by each of the Reporting Persons as to which there is sole power to vote or to direct the vote, shared power to vote or to direct the vote and sole or shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition.
(c) The Reporting Persons have not effected any transactions in the Class A Common Stock of DISH Network in the last sixty days other than as described herein.
(d) Not applicable.
(e) Not applicable.
Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.
Issuer.
Item 6 is amended and restated as follows:  The trust agreements for each of the 2010 GRATs contain an irrevocable provision that provides that the trustee will not dispose of any shares of DISH Network held by any of the 2010 GRATs unless a Change of Control Event occurs. If a Change of Control Event occurs, the trustee

Continuing Director means, as of any date of determination, any member of the Board of Directors of DISH Network who: (a) was a member of such Board of Directors on the date on which the applicable grantor retained annuity trust was established; or (b) was nominated for election or elected to such Board of Directors either (x) with the affirmative vote of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board of Directors at the time of such nomination or election or (y) by Charles W. Ergen and his Related Parties.

Equity Interest means any capital stock of DISH Network and all warrants, options or other rights to acquire capital stock of DISH Network (but excluding any debt security that is convertible into, or exchangeable for, capital stock of DISH Network).

Related Party means, (a) Charles W. Ergen s spouse and each of his immediate family members; (b) each trust, corporation, partnership or other entity of which Charles W. Ergen beneficially holds an eighty percent (80%) or more controlling interest or that was created for estate planning purposes including without limitation the grantor retained annuity trusts dated November 30, 2010; and (c) the personal representatives, administrators, executor, guardians, or any person(s) or entit(ies) to which Charles W. Ergen s shares of DISH Network are transferred as a result of a transfer by will or the applicable laws of descent and distribution.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits

Exhibit A: Agreement of Joint Filing

### **SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: December 3, 2013

Dated: December 3, 2013

Dated: December 3, 2013

Dated: December 3, 2013

CHARLES W. ERGEN

/s/ Charles W. Ergen

Charles W. Ergen

CANTEY M. ERGEN

/s/ Cantey M. Ergen
Cantey M. Ergen

2010 Four-Year GRAT

/s/ Cantey M. Ergen Cantey M. Ergen, Trustee

2010 Five-Year GRAT

/s/ Cantey M. Ergen Cantey M. Ergen, Trustee

Attention: Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact

constitutes Federal criminal violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)

# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit A: Agreement of Joint Filing

### **EXHIBIT A**

### **Agreement of Joint Filing**

Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(k)(l)(iii) of Regulation 13D-G of the General Rules and Regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the undersigned agree that the statement on Schedule 13D/A to which this Exhibit is attached is filed on behalf of each of them in the capacities set forth below.

CHARLES W. ERGEN

/s/ Charles W. Ergen Charles W. Ergen

CANTEY M. ERGEN

/s/ Cantey M. Ergen Cantey M. Ergen

2010 Four-Year GRAT

/s/ Cantey M. Ergen Cantey M. Ergen, Trustee

2010 Five-Year GRAT

/s/ Cantey M. Ergen Cantey M. Ergen, Trustee

Dated: December 3, 2013

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