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Form 4

July 10, 2001

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
 FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
 Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 Ferguson, Mary P.
 5701 South Santa Fe Drive
 Littleton, CO 80120
 U.S.A.
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Echostar Communications Corporation
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3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
 6/11/01
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 () Director () 10% Owner () Officer (give title below) (X) Other
 (specify below)
 Vice President - Marketing
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction Date	3. Transaction Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month
Class A Common Stock	6/11/01	M	28,232	72,979
				238
				2,082

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Transaction Date	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Put or Call

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	Secu- rity	Date	Code	V	Amount	D	cisa- ble	Date	of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$2.125	6/11/01	M		28,232	A	(3)	(4)	Class A Comm on Stock
									28,232

Explanation of Responses:

(1) The number of shares in column 5 represents the total number of shares purchased by the reporting person through EchoStar Communications Corporation's 1997 Employee Stock Purchase Plan to date.

(2) In March 2000, the Company issued additional shares of Class A Common Stock to EchoStar Communications Corporation's 401(k) Employees' Savings Plan (the "Plan"). The number of shares reported in column 5 represents the total number of shares allocated to the reporting person's account through the Plan to date. The reporting person has dispositive, but no voting power with respect to the shares.

(3) The shares underlying the option vested at the rate of 20% per year, commencing on June 10, 1998.

(4) Each portion of the option expires five years from the date on which that portion of the option first becomes exercisable.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ Mary P. Ferguson

DATE

7/9/01