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ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP Form 8-K February 14, 2006

UNITED STATES 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): February 13, 2006

ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEVADA 0-26176 88-0336997
(State or other (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer jurisdiction of incorporation)

9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD. 80112 ENGLEWOOD, COLORADO (Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

(303) 723-1000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

ECHOSTAR DBS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

COLORADO 333-31929 84-1328967
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 88-1328967
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD. 80112 ENGLEWOOD, COLORADO (Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

(303) 723-1000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

Effective on February 13, 2006, Michael A. Neuman resigned as President and Chief Operating Officer of EchoStar Communications Corporation (the Company). Mr. Neuman s duties will be assumed by Carl E. Vogel, Vice Chairman of the Company, and Michael T. Dugan, Chief Technical Officer and formerly president and chief operating officer of the Company.

SIGNATURES

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

ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION ECHOSTAR DBS CORPORATION

Date: February 13, 2006

By: /s/ Charles W. Ergen
Charles W. Ergen

Chief Executive Officer

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