ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP

Form 4 June 08, 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 Ergen, Charles W. 5701 South Santa Fe Drive Littleton, CO 80120 U.S.A. 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Echostar Communications Corporation DISH 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary) 4. Statement for Month/Year 5/31/01 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year) 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) (X) Director (X) 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)

- Chief Executive Officer and President
- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 - (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 - () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

|2. |3. |4.Securities Acquired (A) |5.Amount of 1. Title of Security | | Securities | Transaction | or Disposed of (D) | | Beneficially - 1 | A/| | Owned at | D | Price | End of Month | Date |Code|V| Amount |A |(1) |857,650 Class A Common Stock |5/1/01|A |V|10 _____ | | 4,800 _____ |17,825 | _____ _____ |511 - 1 _____ _____ |110

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

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

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