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October 29, 2001

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): October 28, 2001

ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

NEVADA 0-26176 88-0336997 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation File Number) Identification No.)

5701 S. SANTA FE DRIVE

LITTLETON, COLORADO 80120 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(303) 723-1000

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On October 28, 2001, General Motors Corporation and its subsidiary Hughes Electronics, together with EchoStar Communications Corporation, announced the signing of definitive agreements that provide for the spin-off of Hughes from GM and the merger of Hughes with EchoStar. See press release attached as Exhibit 99.1.

SIGNATURES

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

ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

Dated: October 29, 2001

By: /s/ Michael R. McDonnell

Michael R. McDonnell Senior Vice President and

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Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit Number	Description
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