

ERGEN THREE YEAR 2017 SATS GRAT
Form 4
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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Ergen Three Year 2015 SATS GRAT

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EchoStar CORP [SATS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
5701 S. SANTA FE DRIVE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/30/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Joint Filing Group

LITTLETON, CO 80123

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class B Common Stock	(1)	11/30/2017	G(2)	2,035,212					(1)	(1)	Class A Common Stock	2,035,212
Class B Common Stock	(5)								(5)	(5)	Class A Common Stock	7,600,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ergen Three Year 2015 SATS GRAT
5701 S. SANTA FE DRIVE
LITTLETON, CO 80123

Joint Filing Group

ERGEN THREE YEAR 2017 SATS GRAT
9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD.
ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

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Signatures

/s/ William R. Gouger, Trustee of the Ergen Three-Year 2015 SATS GRAT, by Joseph Turitz, his Attorney-in-Fact

12/04/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Cantey M. Ergen, Trustee of the Ergen Three-Year 2017 SATS GRAT, by Joseph Turitz, her Attorney-in-Fact

12/04/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

On November 30, 2015, Charles W. Ergen established a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust ("GRAT"), the Ergen Three-Year 2015 SATS (1) GRAT (the "2015 GRAT"), and contributed 9,000,000 Class B shares to the 2015 GRAT. The 2015 GRAT may elect to convert any or all of its Class B shares into an equal number of Class A shares at any time for no additional consideration.

Pursuant to the terms of the 2015 GRAT, 2,035,212 Class B shares were distributed as an annuity to Mr. Ergen on November 30, 2017, (2) with the 2015 GRAT retaining 4,969,546 Class B shares. The 2015 GRAT is scheduled to expire in accordance with its terms on November 30, 2018.

There is no formal agreement to vote or dispose of the shares owned by each GRAT in a particular manner, except that the trust agreement for each GRAT contains an irrevocable provision that provides that the trustee will not dispose of any shares of the issuer held (3) by the GRAT unless a Change of Control Event (as defined in Item 6 of the GRATs' Schedule 13D/A filed on December 1, 2017) occurs. The dispositive and voting power of the shares held by each of the GRATs is independent of each other.

(4) These securities are owned directly by the 2015 GRAT.

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On May 30, 2017, Charles W. Ergen established the Ergen Three-Year 2017 SATS GRAT (the "2017 GRAT"), and contributed a total of

- (5) 7,600,000 Class B shares to the 2017 GRAT. The 2017 GRAT may elect to convert any or all of its Class B shares into an equal number of Class A shares at any time for no additional consideration.
- (6) These securities are owned directly by the 2017 GRAT.

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