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November 13, 2007

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Form 5 obligation			16(a) of the Securities E	•				
may conti			Utility Holding Company		n			
See Instru	ection	30(n) of the	Investment Company Ac	et of 1940				
1(b).								
(Print or Type R	Responses)							
1. Name and A	ddress of Reporting F	Person * 2. Issu	uer Name and Ticker or Tradi	ng 5. Relationship o	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
ERGEN CH	ARLES W	Symbol	[Issuer				
			OSTAR COMMUNICAT P [DISH]	TIONS (Chec	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	fiddle) 3. Date	of Earliest Transaction	_X_ Director	_X_ 10 ^e	% Owner		
		(Month	/Day/Year)	~	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
9601 S. MEI	RIDIAN BLVD.	11/09/	/2007		Chairman and CEO			
	(Street)	4. If Ar	nendment, Date Original	6. Individual or J	oint/Group Fili	ng(Check		
		Filed(M	Ionth/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)				
ENGLEWO	OD, CO 80112			Form filed by C _X_ Form filed by Person	One Reporting Pe More than One R			
(City)	(State) ((Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-Derivative Secur	rities Acquired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned		
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	e 2A. Deemed	3. 4. Securities	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of		
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date,			Form: Direct	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Yea	Code Disposed of (I r) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and		` /	Beneficial Ownership		
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			(A)	Reported				
			or	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Class A			Code V Amount (D)	Price `				
Common				448,652 (1)	D			
Stock				110,032	D			
Class A								
Common				235	I	I (2)		
Stock				233	•	-		
Class A								
Common				27,175	I	I (3)		
Stock				27,173	•	-		
Class A				18,521	I	I (4)		
0				10,021	_	_		

Stock

Class A

Common 1,004 I I \underline{I} Stock

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative on Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying So (Instr. 3 and 4
								Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
				Code	V	(A)	(D)			
Class B Common Stock	<u>(6)</u>	11/09/2006		G <u>(7)</u>	V		13,498,856	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Class A Common Stock
Class B Common Stock	<u>(6)</u>	11/09/2006		G <u>(7)</u>	V	9,253,705		<u>(6)</u>	(6)	Class A Common Stock
Class B Common Stock	<u>(6)</u>	11/09/2007		G <u>(7)</u>	V	4,245,151		<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Class A Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ERGEN CHARLES W 9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD. ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112	X	X	Chairman and CEO				
ERGEN CANTEY 9601 S. MERIDIAN BLVD. ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112	X						

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/s/ Charles W. 11/13/2007 Ergen

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

/s/ Cantey M. 11/13/2007

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**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- (1) Includes 350,000 shares previously held by a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust ("GRAT").
- (2) Held by Ms. Cantey Ergen.
- (3) The shares are held by a custodian for the reporting persons' minor children. The reporting persons disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares, except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.
- (4) Held by Mr. Charlie Ergen in a 401(k) account.
- (5) Held by Ms. Cantey Ergen in a 401(k) account.
- (6) The holder of the shares of Class B stock may elect to convert any or all of their Class B shares into an equal number of Class A shares at any time for no additional consideration.
 - On November 9, 2005, the reporting persons established four GRATs, contributing 12,500,000 Class B shares to each, resulting in the transfer of a total of 50,000,000 Class B shares. Pursuant to the terms of the Ergen Two-Year GRAT, 3,892,588 shares were distributed as an annuity to Mr. Ergen on November 9, 2007, with the remaining 4,245,151 shares distributed to trusts for the reporting persons' family
- (7) members. Pursuant to the terms of the Ergen Three-Year GRAT, 2,418,459 shares were distributed as an annuity to Mr. Ergen on November 9, 2007, with the Ergen-Three Year GRAT retaining 7,371,275 shares. Pursuant to the terms of the Ergen-Four Year GRAT, 1,687,908 shares were distributed as an annuity to Mr. Ergen on November 9, 2007, with the Ergen Four-Year GRAT retaining 8,920,524 shares. Pursuant to the terms of the Ergen Five-Year GRAT, 1,254,750 shares were distributed as an annuity to Mr. Ergen on November 9, 2007, with the Ergen Five-Year GRAT retaining 9,839,104 shares.
- (8) The shares are held in trust for the reporting persons' family members. The reporting persons disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares, except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.

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