

EHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 31, 2001

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**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**

**EHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)**

<b>NEVADA</b> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	<b>0-26176</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>88-0336997</b> (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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<b>5701 S. SANTA FE DRIVE</b> <b>LITTLETON, COLORADO</b> (Address of principal executive offices)	<b>80120</b> (Zip Code)
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**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (303) 723-1000**

**ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS**

EchoStar Communications Corporation has amended and restated its Bylaws as set forth in Exhibit 3(ii). In addition, on October 28, 2001, in connection with the announcement of the proposed spin-off of Hughes Electronics Corporation from General Motors Corporation and the merger of Hughes Electronics Corporation with EchoStar Communications Corporation, certain parties entered into several definitive agreements. See Agreement and Plan of Merger attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1; Implementation Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2; Stock Purchase Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 99.3; and Separation Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 99.4.

**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.**

**EHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION**

Dated: October 31, 2001

By: /s/ Michael R. McDonnell

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Michael R. McDonnell  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
3(ii)	Amended and Restated Bylaws of EchoStar Communications Corporation
99.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated October 28, 2001, by and between EchoStar Communications Corporation and Hughes Electronics Corporation
99.2	Implementation Agreement, dated October 28, 2001, by and among General Motors Corporation, Hughes Electronics Corporation and EchoStar Communications Corporation
99.3	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated October 28, 2001, among EchoStar Communications Corporation, Hughes Electronics Corporation, Hughes Communications Galaxy, Inc., Hughes Communications Satellite Services, Inc. and Hughes Communications Inc.
99.4	Separation Agreement, dated October 28, 2001, by and between General Motors Corporation and Hughes Electronics Corporation