

EchoStar Hosts Webcast for First Quarter 2006 Earnings

ENGLEWOOD, Colo.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--EchoStar Communications Corporation (Nasdaq: DISH) will host an Internet webcast to discuss its first quarter 2006 earnings on Thursday, May 11, 2006, at noon ET. The webcast will be broadcast live from EchoStar's Web site, www.echostar.com.

Individuals will need a multimedia computer with speakers and Microsoft's Windows Media Player™ to access the webcast. Please access the Pre-Event System Test on www.echostar.com prior to the first quarter 2006 earnings call in order to determine whether Microsoft's Windows Media Player™ is installed on your computer. If you experience trouble accessing the webcast or require further assistance on the day of the event, please call 303-723-1020.

A one-time replay of EchoStar's first quarter 2006 earnings webcast will be available on the investor relations page of www.echostar.com on May 11, 2006, at 9 p.m. ET.

EchoStar's earnings press release will be distributed via Business Wire prior to the webcast. The press release will be available on the EchoStar Web site, www.echostar.com.

About EchoStar Communications Corporation

EchoStar Communications Corporation (NASDAQ: DISH) serves more than 12 million satellite TV customers through its DISH Network™, and is a leading U.S. provider of advanced digital television services. DISH Network's services include hundreds of video and audio channels, Interactive TV, HDTV, sports and international programming, together with professional installation and 24-hour customer service. Visit EchoStar's Web site at www.echostar.com or call 1-800-333-DISH (3474).

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