

# DISH Network's 2005 Team Summit Nearly Sold Out

## *Retailers to Gather in Nashville for Biggest Three-Day Event*

EchoStar Communications Corporation (NASDAQ: DISH) will host its 2005 Team Summit satellite TV retailer conference under the theme "Mission: DISH," highlighting the company's goal to put a satellite dish in every U.S. home. Nearly 3,000 DISH Network™ retailers from across the nation will gather in Nashville, Tenn., April 28 - May 1 for the Summit, the biggest in DISH Network's history. Special attractions include Grammy award winning legend Reba McEntire, the Improv All-Stars, country music sensation Rascal Flatts and motivational speaker Jeffrey Gitomer.

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Chief Executive Officer Charles Ergen will share his vision of satellite TV's future at the eighth annual Team Summit, a three-day event that educates retailers about DISH Network satellite TV equipment and services and improves their ability to serve their communities.

"DISH Network's retailers have been very supportive of our annual Team Summit," said Jim DeFranco, EchoStar's co-founder and executive vice president. "We look forward to interacting with them and hearing their feedback, since our retailers are a key element of our past and future success."

Held at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel in Nashville, the Team Summit Tech Expo will display consumer electronics products and marketing services from nearly 120 vendors nationwide. The conference will also feature training sessions on topics such as High Definition TV, International Programming, Video on Demand, Interactive Television, digital video recording, commercial TV sales opportunities and service and installation.

Major event sponsors include ESPN/Disney, RaySat, Inc., Home Box Office (HBO), MTV Networks, Starz Encore Group LLC and The Weather Channel.

## **About EchoStar Communications Corporation**

EchoStar Communications Corporation (NASDAQ: DISH) serves more than 11 million satellite TV customers through its DISH Network, the fastest growing U.S. provider of advanced digital television services in the last five years. DISH Network offers hundreds of video and audio channels, Interactive TV, HDTV, sports and international programming, together with professional installation and 24-hour customer service. DISH Network ranks No. 1 in Customer Satisfaction among Cable/Satellite TV Subscribers by J.D. Power and Associates. Visit EchoStar's DISH Network at [www.dishnetwork.com](http://www.dishnetwork.com) or call 1-800-333-DISH (3474).

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