SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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): January 15, 2005

SIRIUS SATELLITE RADIO INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **0-24710** (Commission File Number)

52-1700207 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1221 Avenue of the Americas, 36th Fl., New York, NY (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

10020 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 584-5100

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 3.03 Material Modifications to Rights of Securityholders

On January 15, 2005, the rights issued under our Rights Agreement, dated as of October 22, 1997, as amended, with The Bank of New York, as rights agent, expired. The rights permitted stockholders to acquire common stock from us at prices substantially below market value under certain change-in-control scenarios.

Our board of directors has elected not to renew the rights and has determined that such action was in the best interests of our stockholders. We have no current plans to renew the rights or adopt a similar plan.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

SIRIUS SATELLITE RADIO INC.

By: /s/ Patrick L. Donnelly

Patrick L. Donnelly Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: January 18, 2005