

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SIRIUS SATELLITE RADIO INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

52-170027
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1221 Avenue of the Americas, 36th Floor
New York, New York 10020
(212) 584-5100

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of Registrant's principal executive offices)

SIRIUS SATELLITE RADIO INC. 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN
(Full title of the Plan)

Patrick L. Donnelly
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
Sirius Satellite Radio Inc.
1221 Avenue of the Americas
36th Floor
New York, New York 10020
(212) 584-5100

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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425 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10017-3954
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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities to be registered	Amount to be Registered (1)	Proposed maximum offering price per share (2)	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price (2)	Amount of registration fee
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	500,000	\$ 5.03	\$ 2,515,000	\$ 269.11

- (1) This amount represents a 500,000 share increase in the number of shares of common stock authorized for issuance under the Sirius Satellite Radio Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan. In addition to the shares set forth in the table, pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement also covers any shares of common stock that may be issuable pursuant to the anti-dilution provisions of the employee benefit plan described herein. In addition, pursuant to Rule 416(c) under the Securities Act, this registration statement also covers an indeterminate amount of interests to be offered or sold pursuant to the employee benefit plan described herein.
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 457(c) and Rule 457(h), the proposed maximum offering price per share and the proposed maximum aggregate offering price are estimated for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee and are based on the average of the high and low prices for shares of the common stock on April 5, 2006, as reported in the NASDAQ National Market.

INTRODUCTION

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 is filed by Sirius Satellite Radio Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), with respect to an additional 500,000 shares of the Company's common stock, par value of \$0.001 per share and an indeterminate number of plan interests, issuable under the Sirius Satellite Radio Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan (the "Plan"), and consists of those items required by General Instruction E to Form S-8.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference

The following documents filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") are incorporated herein by reference:

1. The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005;
 2. The Plan's Annual Report on Form 11-K for the year ended December 31, 2004;
 3. The Company Current Reports on Form 8-K dated January 5, 2006, February 1, 2006, February 17, 2006 and March 27, 2006;
 4. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-125118) dated May 20, 2005;
 5. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-119479) dated October 1, 2004;
 6. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-111221) dated December 16, 2003;
 7. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-106020) dated June 11, 2003;
 8. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-101515) dated November 27, 2002;
 9. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-100083) dated September 25, 2002;
 10. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-81914) dated February 1, 2002;
 11. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-74752) dated December 7, 2001;
 12. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-62818) dated June 12, 2001;
 13. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-47954) dated October 13, 2000;
 14. The Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-65473) dated October 8, 1998; and
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15. The description of our common stock contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

All other documents filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, subsequent to the date of this registration statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities registered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this registration statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this registration statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this registration statement.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel

Patrick L. Donnelly, Esq., whose legal opinion with respect to the securities registered hereunder is filed as Exhibit 5.1 hereto, is an employee of the Company and participates in the Plan and other benefit plans established by the Company.

The consolidated financial statements of the Company appearing in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005 (including the schedule appearing therein), the Company management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2005 included therein, and the financial statements of Sirius Satellite Radio 401(k) Savings Plan appearing in the Plan's Annual Report on Form 11-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 (including schedules appearing therein), have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their reports thereon, included therein, and incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements, management's assessment and financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

Item 8. Exhibits

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| 5.1 | Opinion of Patrick L. Donnelly, Esq., Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of the Company. |
| 23.1 | Consent of Patrick L. Donnelly, Esq., Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of the Company (included in Exhibit 5.1). |
| 23.2 | Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. |
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of New York, State of New York, on April 13, 2006.

SIRIUS SATELLITE RADIO INC.

By: /s/ Patrick L. Donnelly

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

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each individual whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Patrick L. Donnelly and Ruth A. Ziegler, and each of them, his true and lawful agent, proxy and attorney-in-fact, each acting alone with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to (i) act on, sign and file with the Commission any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement together with all schedules and exhibits thereto, (ii) act on, sign and file such certificates, instruments, agreements and other documents as may be necessary or appropriate in connection therewith, and (iii) take any and all actions which may be necessary or appropriate in connection therewith, granting unto such agents, proxies and attorneys-in-fact, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing necessary or appropriate to be done, as fully for all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby approving, ratifying and confirming all that such agents, proxies and attorneys-in-fact, any of them or any of his or their substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

<u>Signatures</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ Mel Karmazin</u> Mel Karmazin	Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Director	April 13, 2006
<u>/s/ David J. Frear</u> David J. Frear	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	April 13, 2006
<u>/s/ Joseph P. Clayton</u> Joseph P. Clayton	Chairman of the Board of Directors	April 13, 2006
<u>/s/ Leon D. Black</u> Leon D. Black	Director	April 13, 2006
<u>/s/ Lawrence F. Gilberti</u> Lawrence F. Gilberti	Director	April 13, 2006
<u>/s/ James P. Holden</u> James P. Holden	Director	April 13, 2006
<u>/s/ Warren N. Lieberfarb</u> Warren N. Lieberfarb	Director	April 13, 2006

Signatures

Title

Date

/s/ Michael J. McGuinness

Director

April 13, 2006

Michael J. McGuinness

/s/ James F. Mooney

Director

April 13, 2006

James F. Mooney

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Sirius Satellite Radio Inc.
1221 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10020

April 13, 2006

Sirius Satellite Radio Inc.
1221 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10020

Dear Sirs:

I am familiar with the Sirius Satellite Radio Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan (the "Plan") under which 3,650,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of Sirius Satellite Radio Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), have been authorized for issuance (the "Shares"). I have acted as counsel to the Company in connection with the preparation and filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") with respect to the registration under the Act of 500,000 Shares and an indeterminate number of interests in the Plan ("Plan Interests"). In connection therewith, I have examined such records, documents and proceedings as I have deemed relevant and necessary as a basis for the opinions expressed herein.

Based upon the foregoing, I am of the opinion that Shares and Plan Interests have been duly authorized for issuance under the Plan by all proper corporate action and, when such Shares and Plan Interests have been issued pursuant to the provisions of the Plan as set forth in the Registration Statement and any conditions or restrictions relating thereto shall have been satisfied, such Shares will be legally issued, fully paid and non-assessable. When the Plan Interests are issued in accordance with the terms of the Plan as set forth in the Registration Statement, the Plan Interests will be duly and validly issued.

The opinions expressed above are limited to the laws of the State of New York and the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. Those opinions are rendered only with respect to laws, and the rules, regulations and orders thereunder, which are currently in effect. I am not admitted to practice in the State of Delaware.

I hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an Exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving this consent, I do not thereby admit that I come within the category of persons whose consent is required by the Act or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Patrick L. Donnelly, Esq.

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

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Interests of Named Experts and Counsel" in the Registration Statement (Form S-8) pertaining to the Sirius Satellite Radio Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan and to the incorporation by reference therein of our reports (a) dated March 7, 2006, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedule of Sirius Satellite Radio Inc. and Subsidiaries, Sirius Satellite Radio Inc. management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Sirius Satellite Radio Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2005, and (b) dated June 27, 2005, with respect to the financial statements and schedules of the Sirius Satellite Radio Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan included in the Plan's Annual Report (Form 11-K), for the year ended December 31, 2004, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ ERNST & YOUNG LLP

New York, New York
April 13, 2006
