ViaSat, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

92552V-10-0

(CUSIP Number)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS
   S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS
   Mark D. Dankberg

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*
   (a) [ ]
   (b) [ ]

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
   United States of America

5. SOLE VOTING POWER
   NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
   855,995

6. SHARED VOTING POWER
   0
Item 1(a). Name of Issuer: ViaSat, Inc.

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:
2290 Cosmos Court, Carlsbad, California 92009

Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing: Mark D. Dankberg

Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office, or, if None, Residence:
2290 Cosmos Court, Carlsbad, California 92009

Item 2(c). Citizenship: United States of America

Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities: Common Stock

Item 2(e). CUSIP Number: 92552V-10-0

Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b), check whether the person filing is a:

(a) [ ] Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act,

(b) [ ] Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act,

(c) [ ] Insurance Company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act,

(d) [ ] Investment Company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act,

(e) [ ] Investment Adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940,

(f) [ ] Employee Benefit Plan, Pension Fund which is subject to
the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 or Endowment, Fund; see 13d-l(b)(1)(ii)(F),

(g) [ ] Parent Holding Company, in accordance with Rule 13d-l(b)(ii)(G); see Item 7,

(h) [ ] Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-l(b)(1)(ii)(H).

Item 4. Ownership.

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 855,995

(b) Percent of class: 11.4%

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 855,995

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 0

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 855,995

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [ ].

Item 6. Ownership of More Than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Not Applicable


Not Applicable

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not Applicable


Not Applicable

5 Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having
such purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 12, 1997

(Date)

By: /s/ MARK D. DANKBERG

(Signature)

Mark D. Dankberg

(Name/Title)