Raycom plans move to East Blvd.

Raycom Inc. is moving its Charlotte headquarters to bigger quarters in Dilworth from uptown.

The company, which bills itself as the nation's leading independent sports TV network, paid \$2.92 million Sept. 2 for the former American Ex-



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press Health Systems Group building at 412 East Blvd.

"We've been growing for several years and we need to expand our facilities," says Ken Haines, Raycom executive vice president. "We have plans to continue to expand and that could not be accommodated where we are."

Raycom will occupy up to 35,000 square feet of the 55,000-square-foot Dilworth building. The remaining space will be leased.

Raycom is putting its 14,250square-foot office at 801 E. Trade St. on the market for lease. Percival's Inc. will handle leasing for both buildings.

Raycom's 65 employees will move to the East Boulevard building at the end of October. The building has been vacant since American Express Health Systems Group moved to University Research Park in 1990.

Raycom has had serious discussions about the American Express building and other Dilworth properties for several years.