

I encourage full opposition to the merger of Sinclair Broadcasting and Tribune Media. The merger will expand Sinclair's reach beyond what has been a legal audience cap of 39% to a massive 72% of US households. The FCC is by definition an independent agency with a specified goal including support of competition. The recent moves by the FCC are questionable in maintaining independence and defending competition. Reports of favorable treatment of the Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc have been documented in the press and undermine the very definition of the FCC.

The FCC should put an immediate halt to actions that limit competition, should not bend rules or roll back regulations in order to allow a favored broadcasting company (Sinclair) or any company take disproportionate control of the media, news and political messaging.