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Federal Communications Commission
455 12th St. SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Federal Communications Commission,

On behalf of the 2.1 million members of the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), I write to express our support for the proposed merger of AT&T with DirectTV. We believe this merger will benefit both workers and consumers.

The merger of AT&T with DirectTV will give consumers greater choices and put pressure on prices, cutting the costs of services to lower income consumers. As you know, broadband and video services are increasingly an essential function in American homes, and reducing the costs of these services is an important part of making them accessible.

This merger is also important to American workers. AT&T respects the rights of employees to make choices about union representation and is now the largest full-time unionized employer in the United States.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jamie Gulley
President
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