

The Honorable Michael K. Powell
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

Dear Sirs:

I am strongly opposed to the merger of Echostar & Direct TV. I feel this would create a monopoly in the satellite industry. I feel the pricing of TV programming is too expensive as it is. We have already had two price increases in the last six months. They are already getting ready to gouge the public. By letting them eliminate their competition would be giving them free reign to charge whatever they wanted, and leaving the customer no option but to pay it.

I urge you not to let this merger go forward. I feel that the competition is necessary, & free enterprise is at stake.

Thank you,
Gary Atkinson

Sincerely,

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