

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I would like to protest the proposed merger of EchoStar and Directv.

I have been a subscriber to both companies and find that Dish is now increasing their subscription rates significantly - over 10% for a single new channel.

Competition is great, don't let them eliminate this - the public needs a choice.

Sincerely,

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