

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

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to urge you not to support the pending merger of EchoStar and HUGHES, the parent company of DIRECTV. I choose to get my internet from Hughes, and my television from Echostar. That's how I like it. I fear that if these two merge to become a monopoly, my service rates will go up. I appreciate your consideration of my views.

Sincerely,

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